Multi-level explanations in neuroscience I: From genes to subjective experiences.

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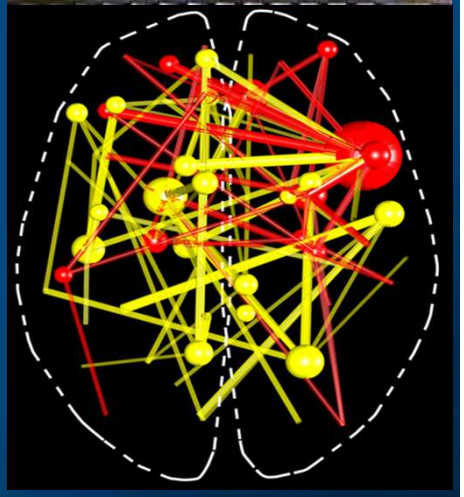
On the threshold of a dream … (50 y!)



How subjective mental states arise from specific activity of the brain networks?

- Mind/Brain at many levels.
- Global brain initiatives.
- Human enhancement or why is this important
- Brain networks.
- Decoding Mental States.
- Neurodynamics.
- Final words.

Ultimate goal: Optimize/repair your brain!

Duch W. (2012) Mind-Brain Relations, Geometric Perspective and Neurophenomenology, American Phil. Assoc. Newsletter 12(1), 1-7.
Duch, W. (2019) Mind as a shadow of neurodynamics. Physics of Life Reviews

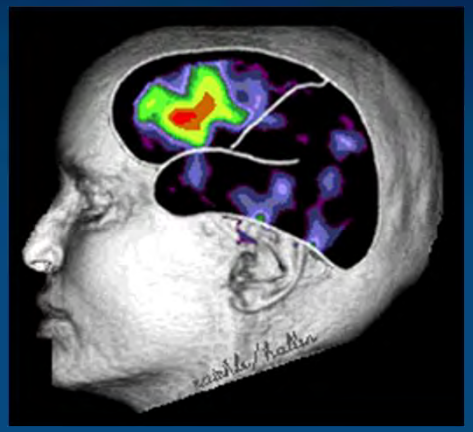
Mind/brain at many levels

Brains ⇔ Minds

Define mapping S(M)⇔S(B), as in BCI.
How do we describe the state of mind?

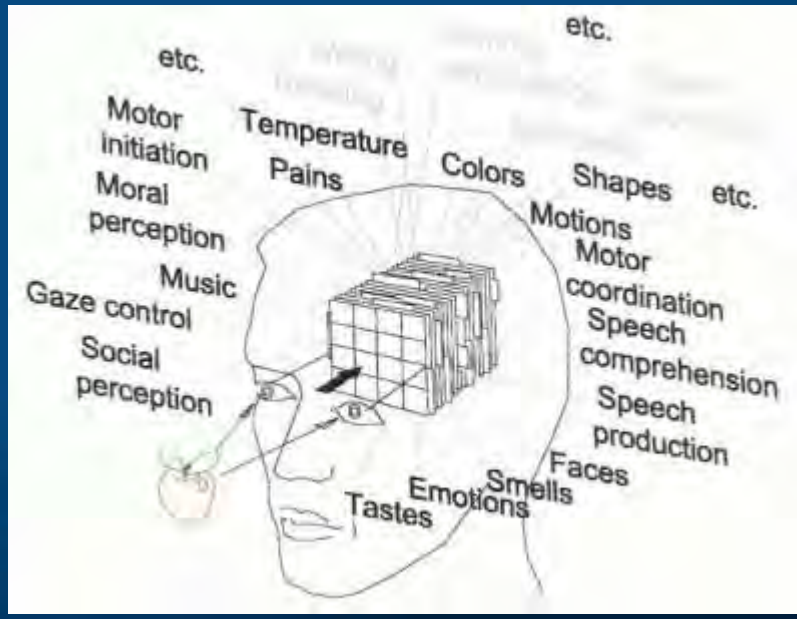
Verbal description is not sufficient unless words are represented in a space with dimensions that measure different aspects of experience.

Stream of mental states, movement of thoughts ⇔ trajectories in psychological spaces.



Two problems: discretization of continuous processes for symbolic models,
and lack of good phenomenology – we are not able to describe our mental states.

Neurodynamics: bioelectrical activity of the brain, neural activity measured using
EEG, MEG, NIRS-OT, PET, fMRI ...



E. Schwitzgabel, Perplexities of Consciousness. MIT Press 2011.

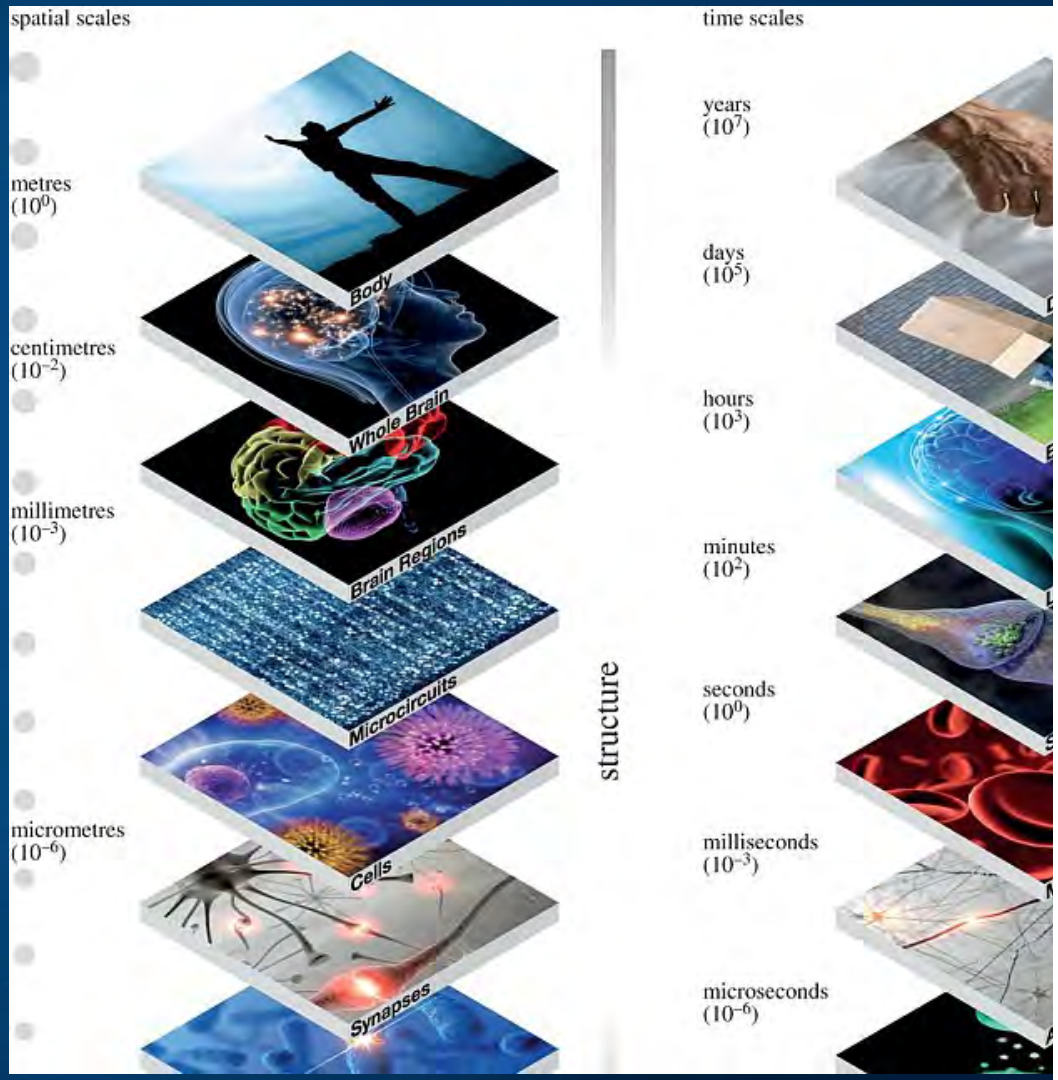
Neuropsychiatric phenomics

2008: The Consortium for Neuropsychiatric Phenomics

"… categories, based upon presenting signs and symptoms, may not capture fundamental underlying mechanisms of dysfunction" (Insel et al., 2010).

New approach: RDOC NIMH.

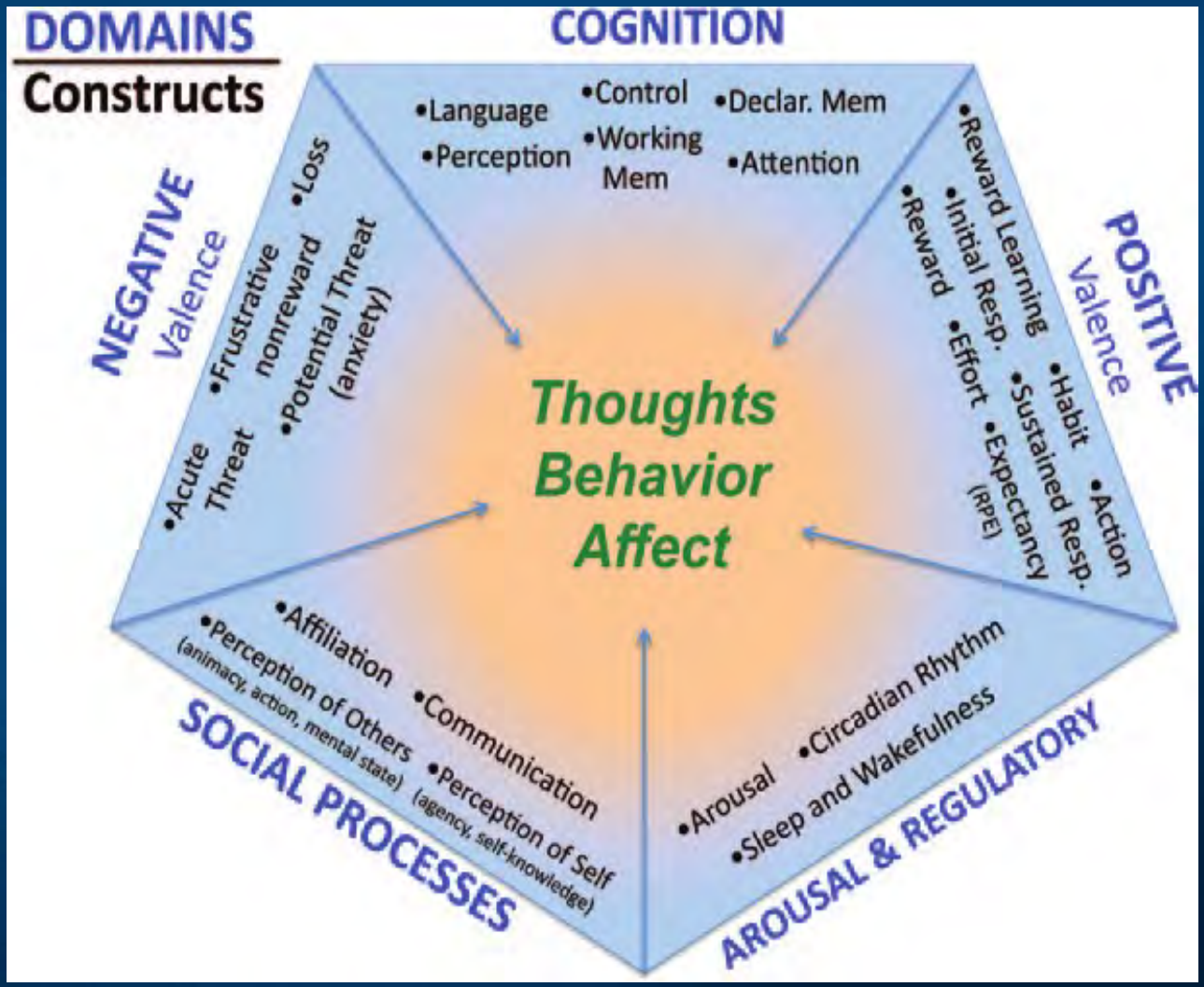
Description of organisms at different levels will help to answer different types of questions.
Network level is in the middle and can be connected to the mental level via computational models.



NIMH RDoC Matrix for deregulation of 5 large brain systems.

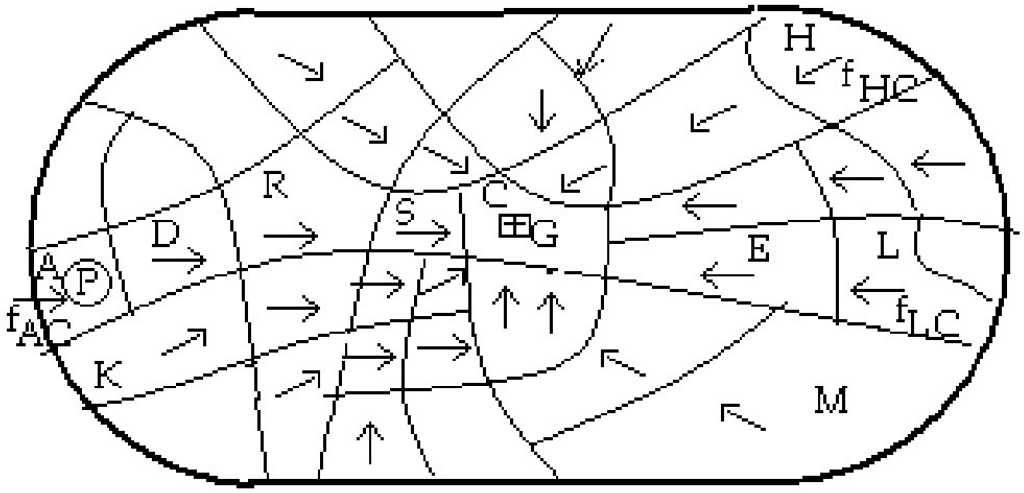
Psychological constructs are necessary to talk about mental states.

How are they related to physical processes?



Lewin's psychological forces

Fig. 5. "Positive central force field corresponding to a positive valence (Va>0)" (



Kurt Lewin, founder of social psychology, analyzed interactions between people and their environment creating psychology inspired by field theory.

Transitions between mental states = psychological forces.

Regions of positive valence are in basins of attractors of neurodynamics.

K. Lewin books: *Principles of Topological Psychology* (1936); *Conceptual Representation & Measurement of Psychological Forces* (1938); *Field Theory in Social Science* (1951).

NIMH RDoC Matrix for deregulation of 6 large brain systems.

Instead of classification of mental disease by symptoms use **Research Domain Criteria** (RDoC) based on multi-level neuropsychiatric phenomics.

1. **Negative Valence Systems**, primarily responsible for responses to aversive situations or context, such as fear, anxiety, and loss.
2. **Positive Valence Systems** are primarily responsible for responses to positive motivational situations or contexts, such as reward seeking, consummatory behavior, and reward/habit learning.
3. **Cognitive Systems** are responsible for various cognitive processes.
4. **Social Processes Systems** mediate responses in interpersonal settings of various types, including perception and interpretation of others' actions.
5. **Arousal/Regulatory Systems** - generating activation of neural systems in various contexts, homeostatic regulation, energy balance and sleep.
6. **Sensorimotor systems** responsible for the control and execution of motor behaviors, and their refinement during learning and development.

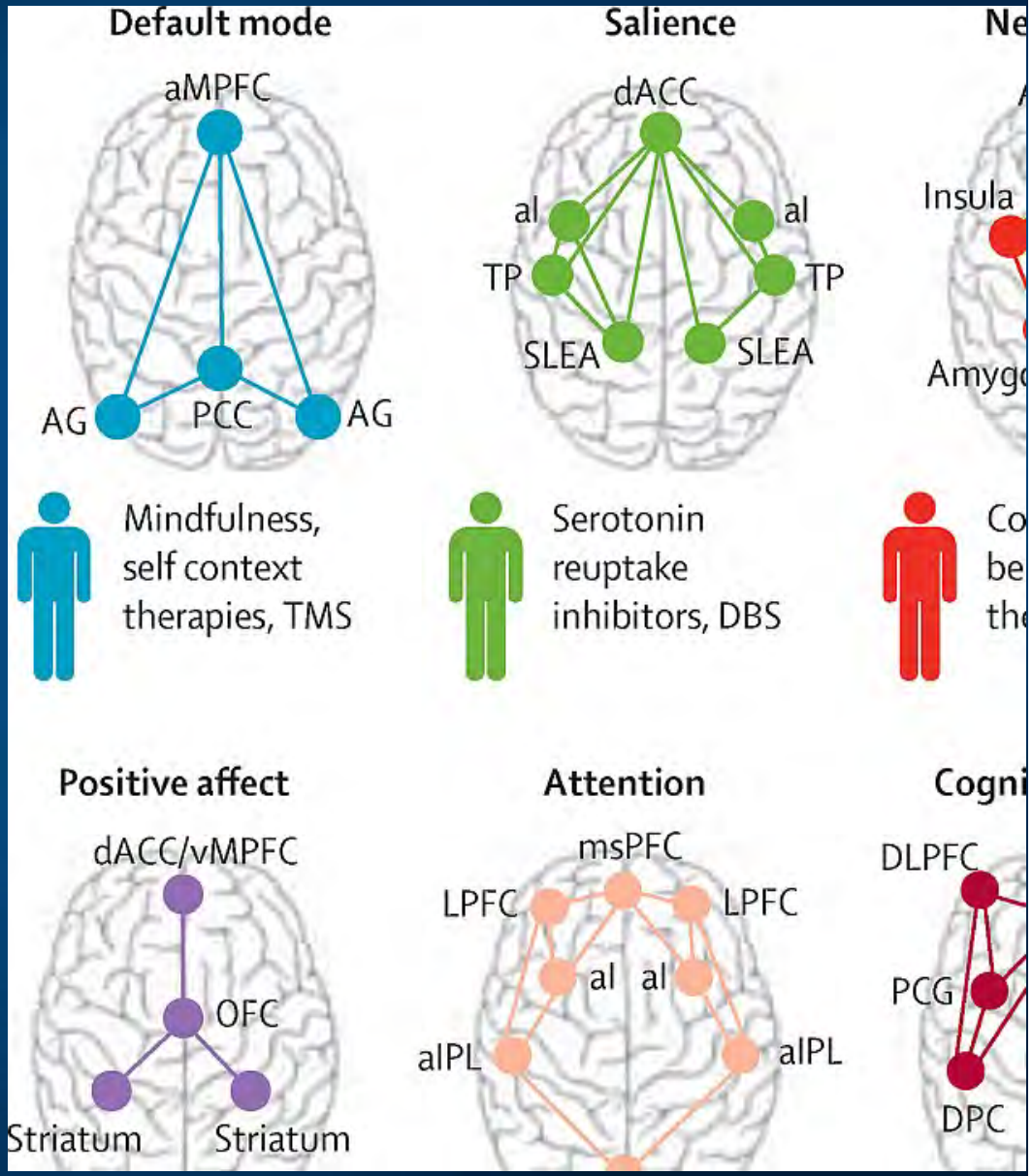
Multi-level phenomics

Research Domain Criteria (RDoC) matrix is based on **multi-level neuropsychiatric phenomics** describing large brain systems deregulation, but links to behavior should be analyzed at the network level, where specialized functions are implemented. **In AI:**

M. Minsky, Society of mind (1986)

Decompose brain network dynamics into meaningful components of activity related to various brain functions.

Include influence of genes, molecules, cells, **circuits**, physiology, behavior, self-reports on network functions.



RDoC Matrix for „cognitive domain”

Construct/Subconstruct		Genes	Molecules	Cells	Circuits	Physiology	Be
Attention		Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	El
Perception	Visual Perception	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	El
	Auditory Perception	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	El
	Olfactory/Somatosensory/Multimodal/Perception						
Declarative Memory		Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	El
Language		Elements			Elements	Elements	El
Cognitive Control	Goal Selection; Updating, Representation, and Maintenance ⇒ Focus 1 of 2 ⇒ Goal Selection				Elements		
	Goal Selection; Updating, Representation, and Maintenance ⇒ Focus 2 of 2 ⇒ Updating, Representation, and Maintenance	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	El
	Response Selection; Inhibition/Suppression ⇒ Focus 1 of 2 ⇒ Response Selection	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	El
	Response Selection; Inhibition/Suppression ⇒ Focus 2 of 2 ⇒ Inhibition/Suppression	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	Elements	El
	Performance Monitoring	Elements	Elements		Elements	Elements	El

Global Brain Initiatives
or why is this so important?

Costs of brain diseases

European Brain Council (EBC) reports (2010; 2014).
Consensus Statement on European Brain Research (2015) includes a chapter on Computational Neuroscience, data repositories and analytics.

179 million, or 1/3 of all European citizens, had at least one brain disorder.
45% of the total annual health budget of Europe!

Total cost of brain disorders in EU estimated in 2010: 798 billion €/year,
average direct health care costs represent 37%,
direct nonmedical costs 23%, and indirect costs 40%.

China: >20% of population (~250 mln) suffering from some mental disorder.

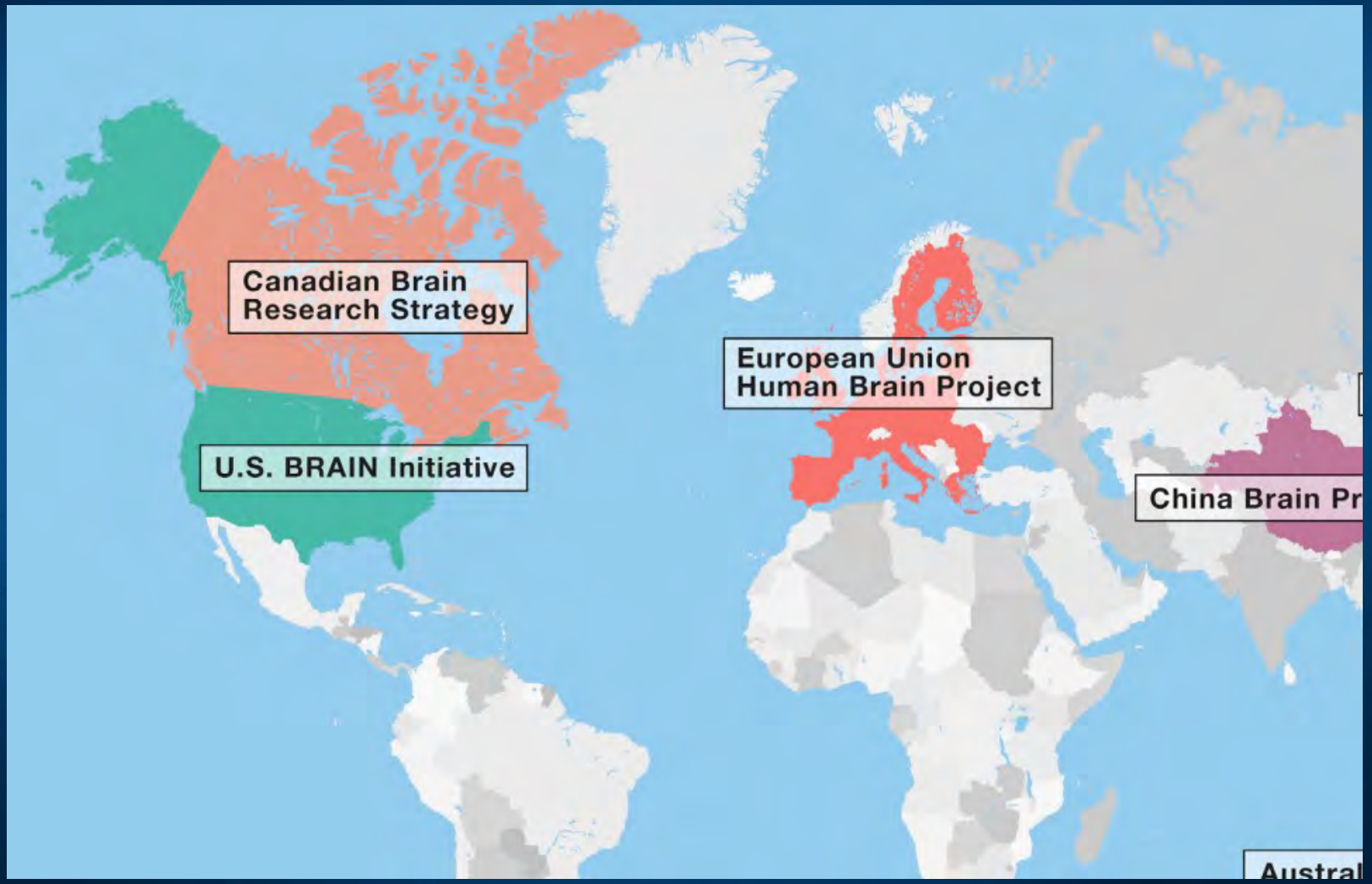
Total costs of disorders of the brain in Poland, 2010 estimates.

Addiction	Anxiety	Dementia	Epilepsy	Headache	Mood	Psychotic	Stroke	x1000
1 201	5 261	358	298	12 025	2 499	371	503	# people
2 501	2 882	2 480	745	1 559	4 489	3 723	2 187	mln €

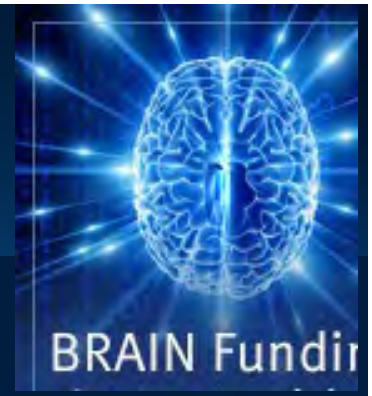
Gustavsson et al. (2011). Cost of disorders of the brain in Europe 2010. *European Neuropsychopharmacology*, *21*(10), 718–779.

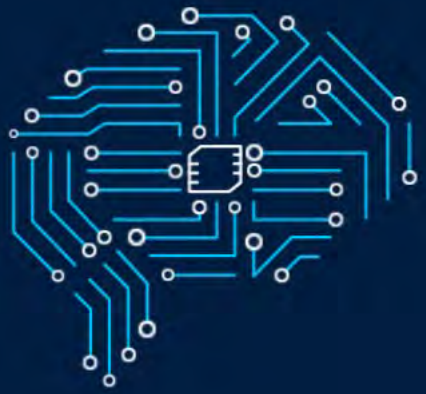
Number of subjects (million)
70
60
50
40
30
20
10
0
0.24
0.54
1.2
1.2
1.3
2.6
5.0
6.3
15.5
33.3
Brain tumor
Multiple Sclerosis
Parkinson's Disease
Traumatic Brain Injury
Stroke
Epilepsy
Psychotic Disorders
Dementia
Addiction
Mood Disorde
Costs per subject (€PPP)
21,590
26,974
11,153
4,209
21,000
5,221
5,805
16,584
4,227
3,406

International Brain Initiatives



BRAIN INITIATIVE





Advance Neurotechnologies

Accelerate the development and application of new neurotechnologies.

Support multi-disciplinary teams and stimulate research to rapidly enhance current neuroscience technologies and catalyze innovative scientific breakthroughs.

Human Brain Project, EU Flagship, and Obama BRAIN Initiative (2013): **B**rain **R**esearch through **A**dvancing **I**nnovative **N**eurotechnologies.

“Develop new technologies to explore how the brain’s cells and circuits interact at the speed of thought, ultimately uncovering the complex links between brain function and behavior. Explore how the brain records, processes, uses, stores, and retrieves vast quantities of information. Help bring safe and effective products to patients and consumers.”

Since 2013 numerous exciting developments in neurotechnology and our understanding of the brain have been made by scientists across the globe.

IEEE brain

The mission of IEEE Brain is to facilitate cross-disciplinary collaboration and coordination to advance research, standardization and development of technologies in neuroscience to help improve the human condition.

20 IEEE Societies are involved, including:

IEEE Computational Intelligence Society; Computer Society; Consumer Electronics Society; Digital Senses Initiative; Robotics and Automation Society; Sensors Council; Signal Processing Society; Society on Social Implications of Technology; **Systems, Man, and Cybernetics Society**, International Neuroethics Society, and a few other societies.

Most these societies are also involved in artificial intelligence.

Satya Nadella (CEO, Microsoft): to celebrate National Disability Employment Awareness Month, I'm sharing examples of how technology can be applied to empower the more than one billion people with disabilities around the world.

Part of the Brain-Machines Interface Workshop and SMC2018.

The IEEE SMC Society and the IEEE President, James Jefferies, are proud to invite you on to a special meeting of **Global Current and Emerging Brain Initiative leaders** and representatives from other groups working on large-scale multi-year brain projects from Australia, Canada, China, Europe (HBP), Japan, Korea, New Zealand, **Poland**, Russia, and US (NSF and NIH), with representatives from the **IEEE Brain Initiative**, International Neuroethics Society, industry, and other stakeholders.

IEEE welcomes collaborative discussions with all stakeholders to better align and integrate IEEE with other existing brain efforts.

Neuroscience => AI

Hassabis, D., Kumaran, D., Summerfield, C., Botvinick, M. (2017). Neuroscience-Inspired Artificial Intelligence. *Neuron*, *95*(2), 245–258.

Affiliations: Google DeepMind, Gatsby Computational Neuroscience, Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience, Uni. College London, Uni. of Oxford.

Artificial neural networks – simple inspirations, but led to many applications.

Bengio, Y. (2017). The **Consciousness Prior**. *ArXiv:1709.08568.*

Amoset al. (2018). **Learning Awareness Models**. *ArXiv:1804.06318*.

AI Systems inspired by Neural Models of Behavior:
(A) **Visual attention**, foveal locations for multiresolution ‘‘retinal’’ representation, prediction of next location to attend to.
(B) **Complementary learning systems** and episodic control: fast learning hippocampal system and parametric slow-learning neocortical system.
(C) Models of **working memory** and the Neural Turing Machine.

(D) Neurobiological models of **synaptic consolidation** and the elastic weight consolidation (EWC) algorithm.

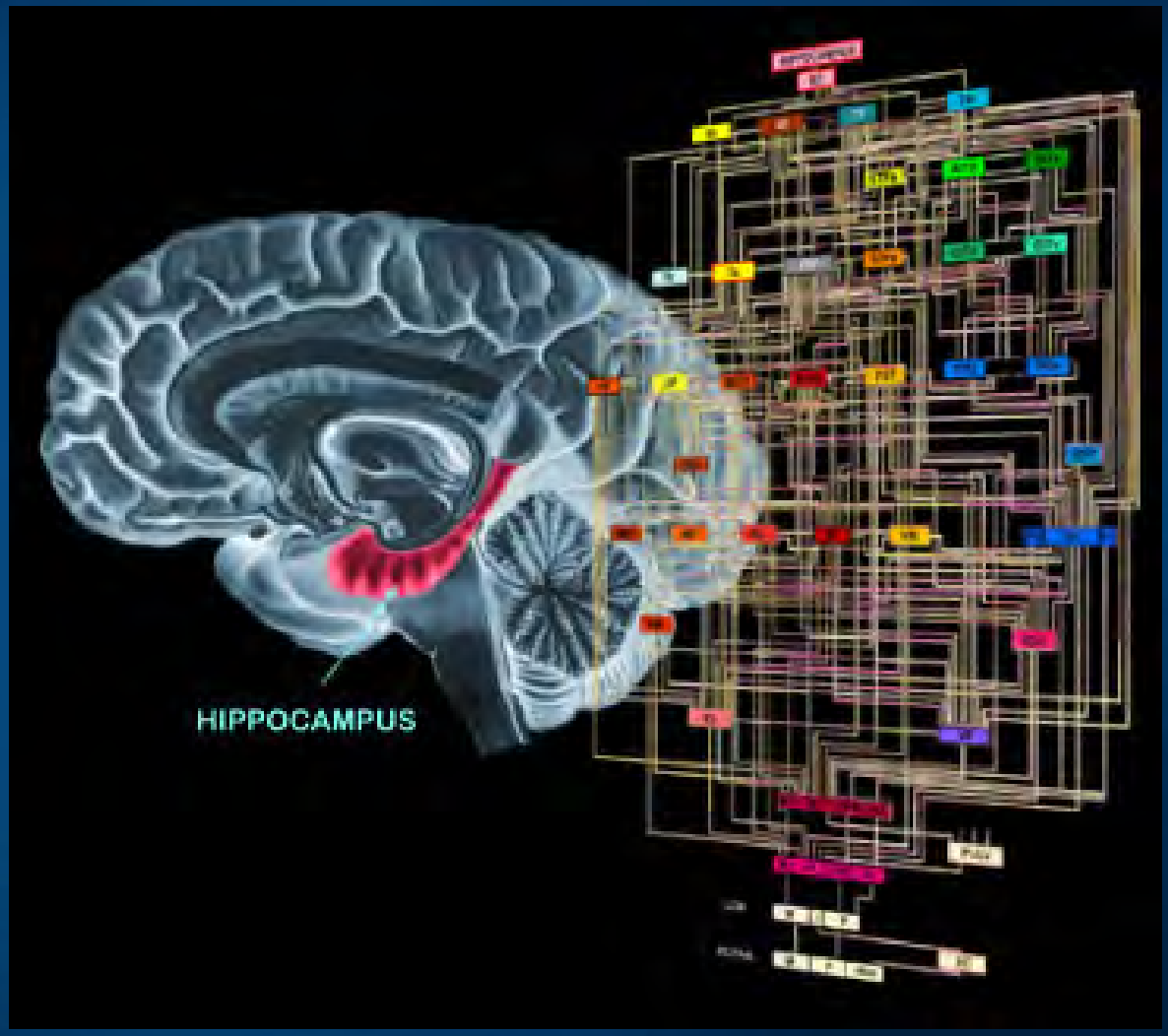
BICA, Brain-Inspired Cognitive Architecture

Understanding the brain from engineering perspective means to build a model of the brain showing similar functions.

Cognitive informatics, Neurocognitive Informatics.

BICA = Brain Inspired Cognitive Architecture.

Review: Duch, Oentaryo, Pasquier, Cognitive architectures: where do we go from here? 2008

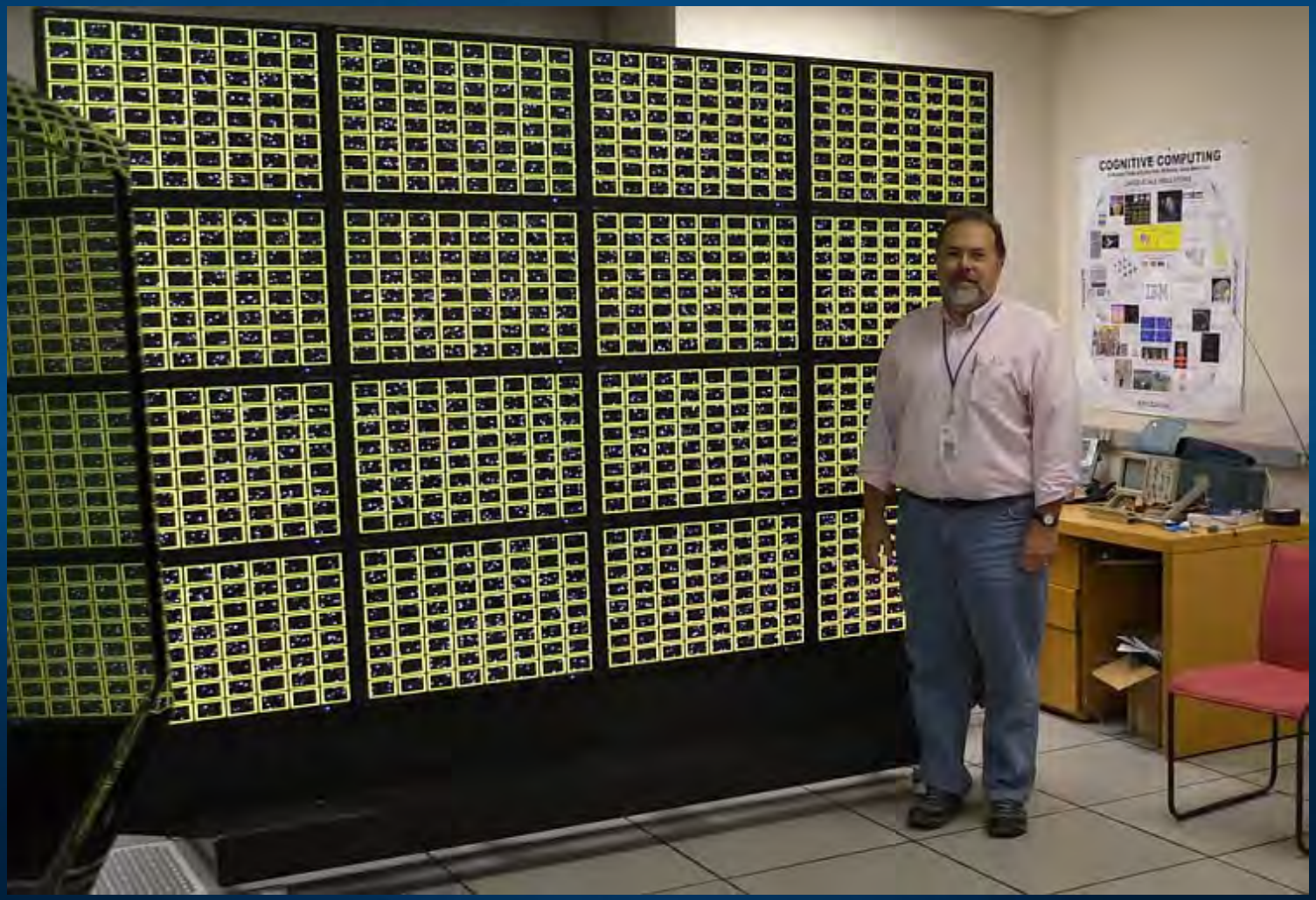


ORNL

- ORNL, since 1943 as part of the Manhattan Project, largest US Department of Energy laboratory. Budget $1.4 billion, Summit ~1.9 Eflop!
  10.07.2019: High-Performance Computing and Artificial Intelligence for Mental Illness, Suicide Prevention, and Substance Abuse Research Summit.

Neuromorphic wall

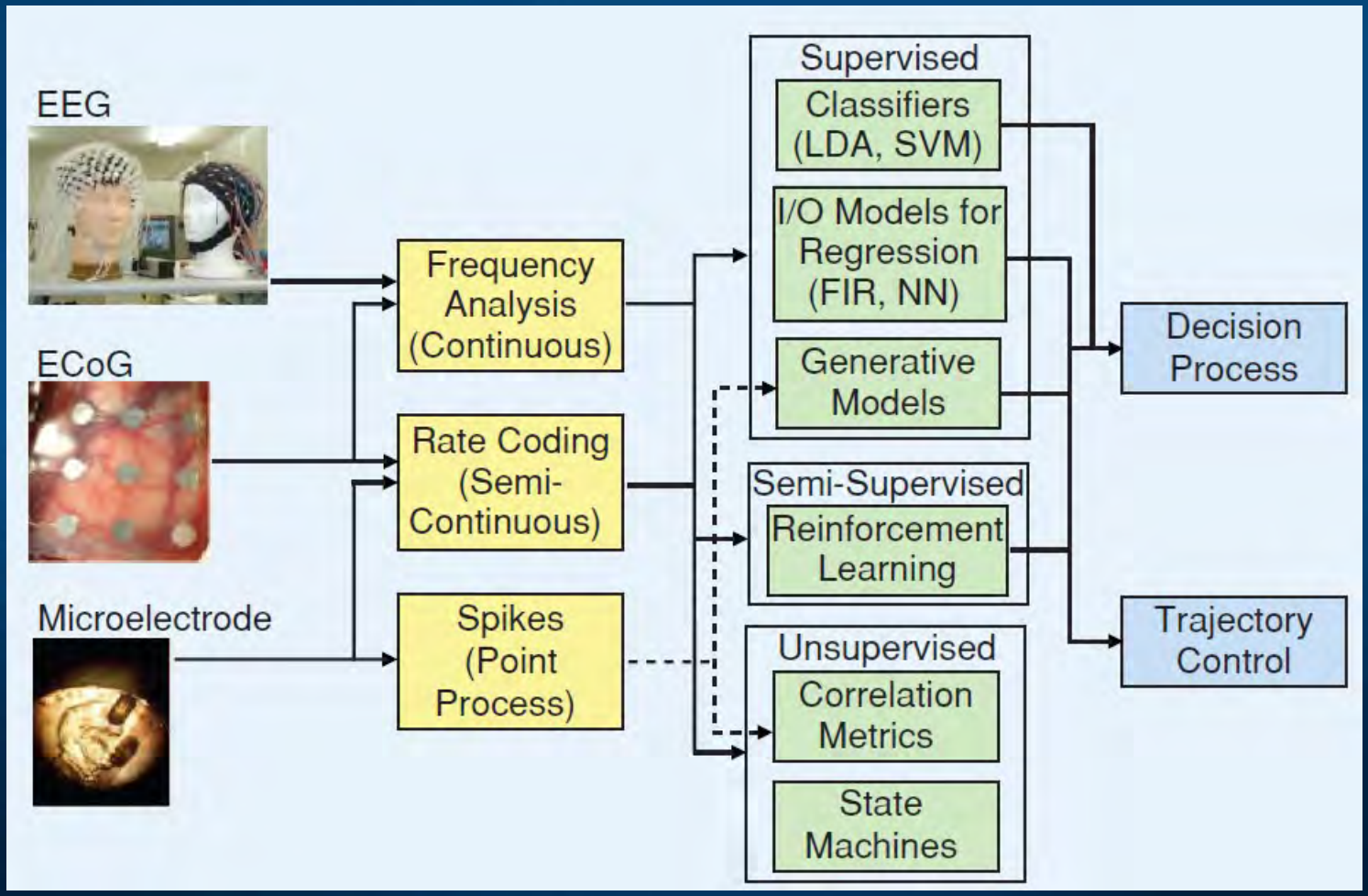
1024 TN chips, or 1 B neurons and 256 B synapses.
Complexity of horse brain, 1/4 gorilla, 1/6 chimpanse.



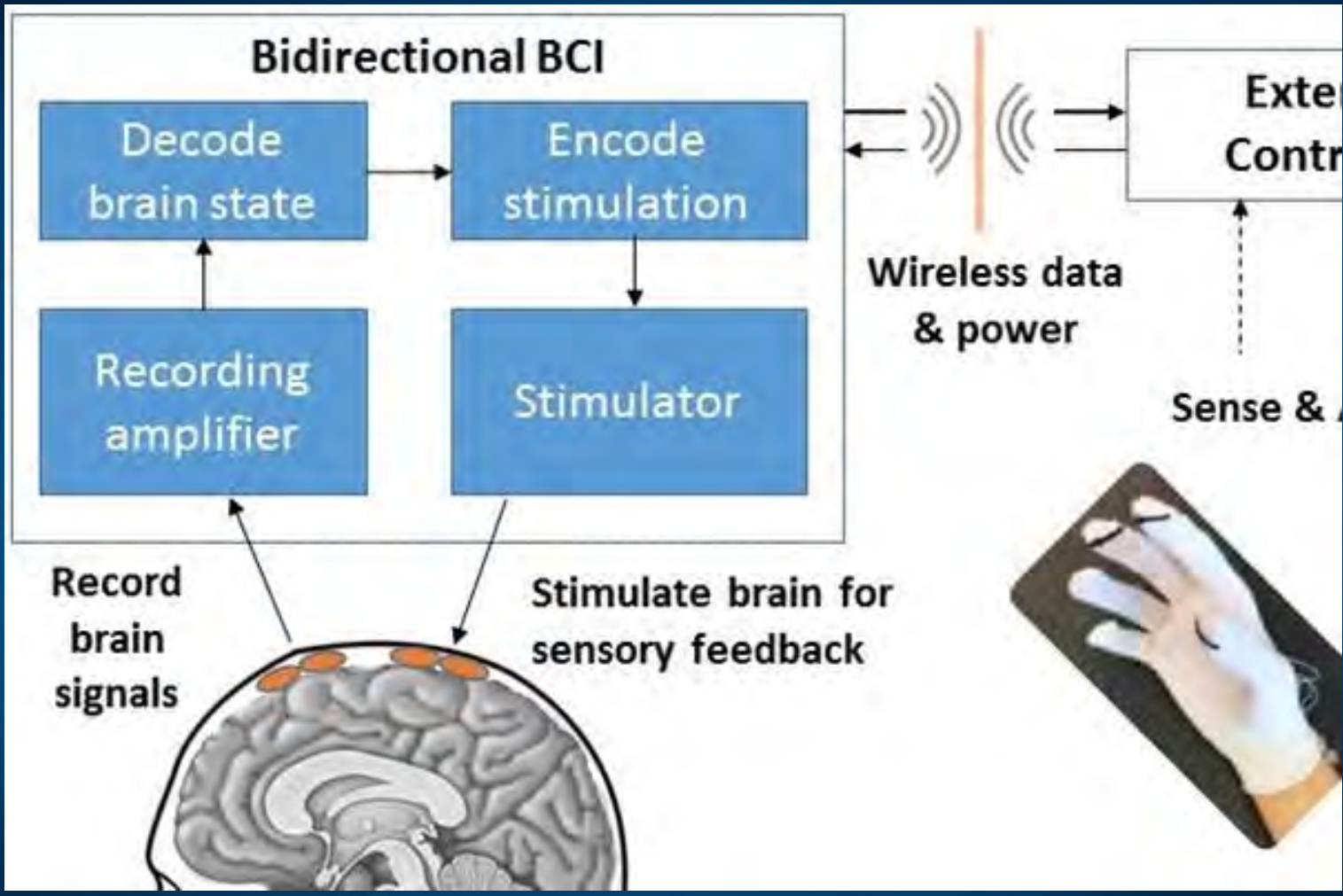
Human Enhancement Perspectives

BCI: wire your brain …

Non-invasive, partially invasive and invasive signals carry progressively more information, but are also harder to implement. EEG is still the king!

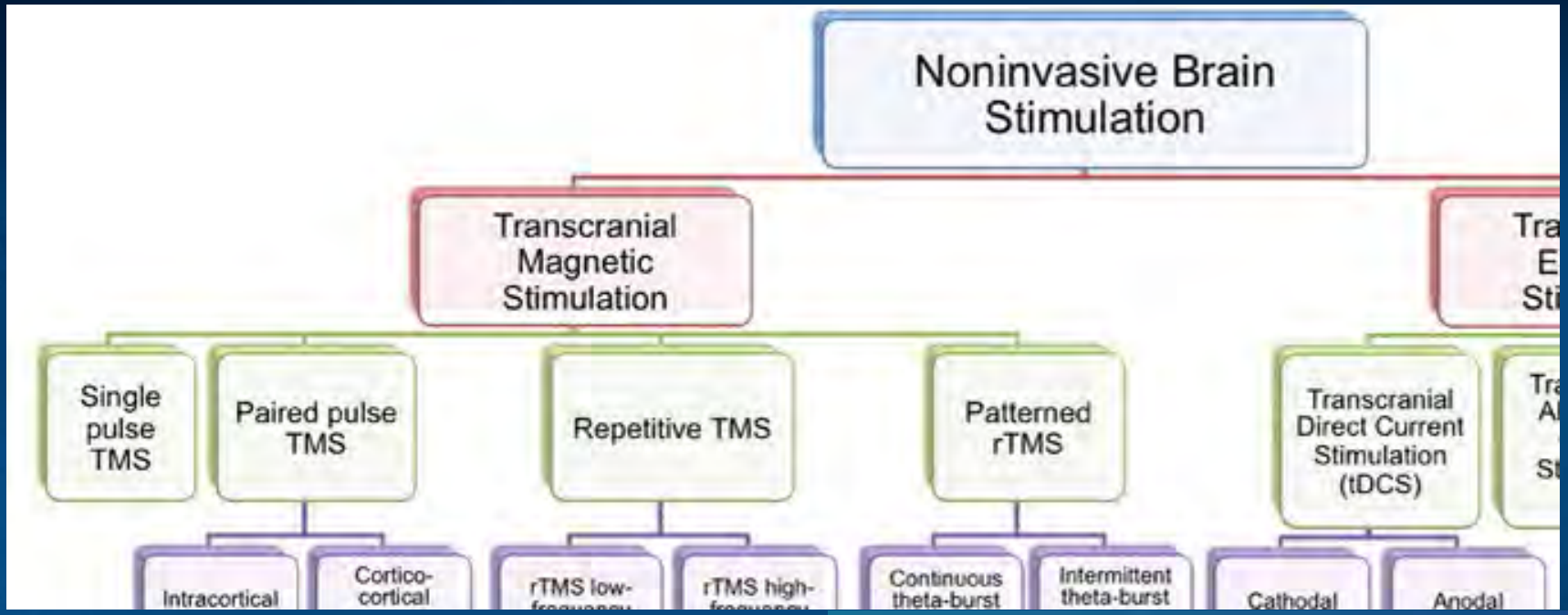


Brain-Computer-Brain Interfaces



Closed loop system with brain reading and stimulation for self-regulation.
Sensory signals may com from Virtual Reality.

Brain stimulation



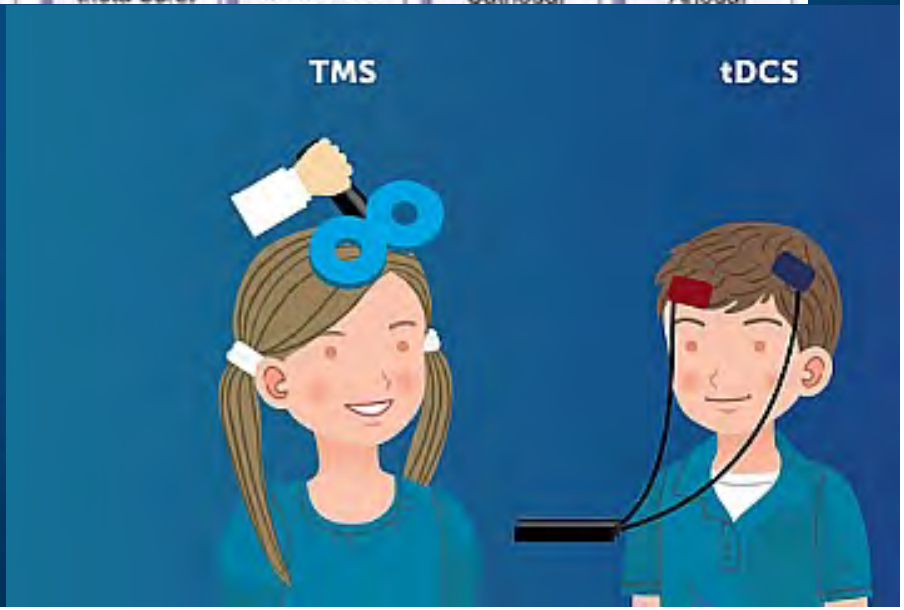
ECT – Electroconvulsive Therapy

VNS – Vagus Nerve Stimulation

Ultrasound, laser … stimulation.

Complex techniques, but portable phones are also complex.

Attention? Just activate your cortex, no effort is needed!



HD EEG/DCS?

EEG electrodes + DCS.

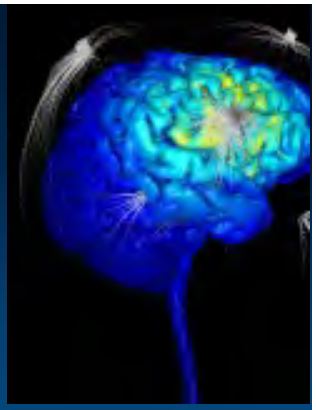
Reading brain states
=> transforming to common space
=> duplicating in other brains

Applications:

depression, neuro-plasticity, pain, psychosomatic disorders, teaching!

Multielectrode DCS stimulation with 256 electrodes induces changes in the brain increasing neuroplasticity.

BCBI for learning

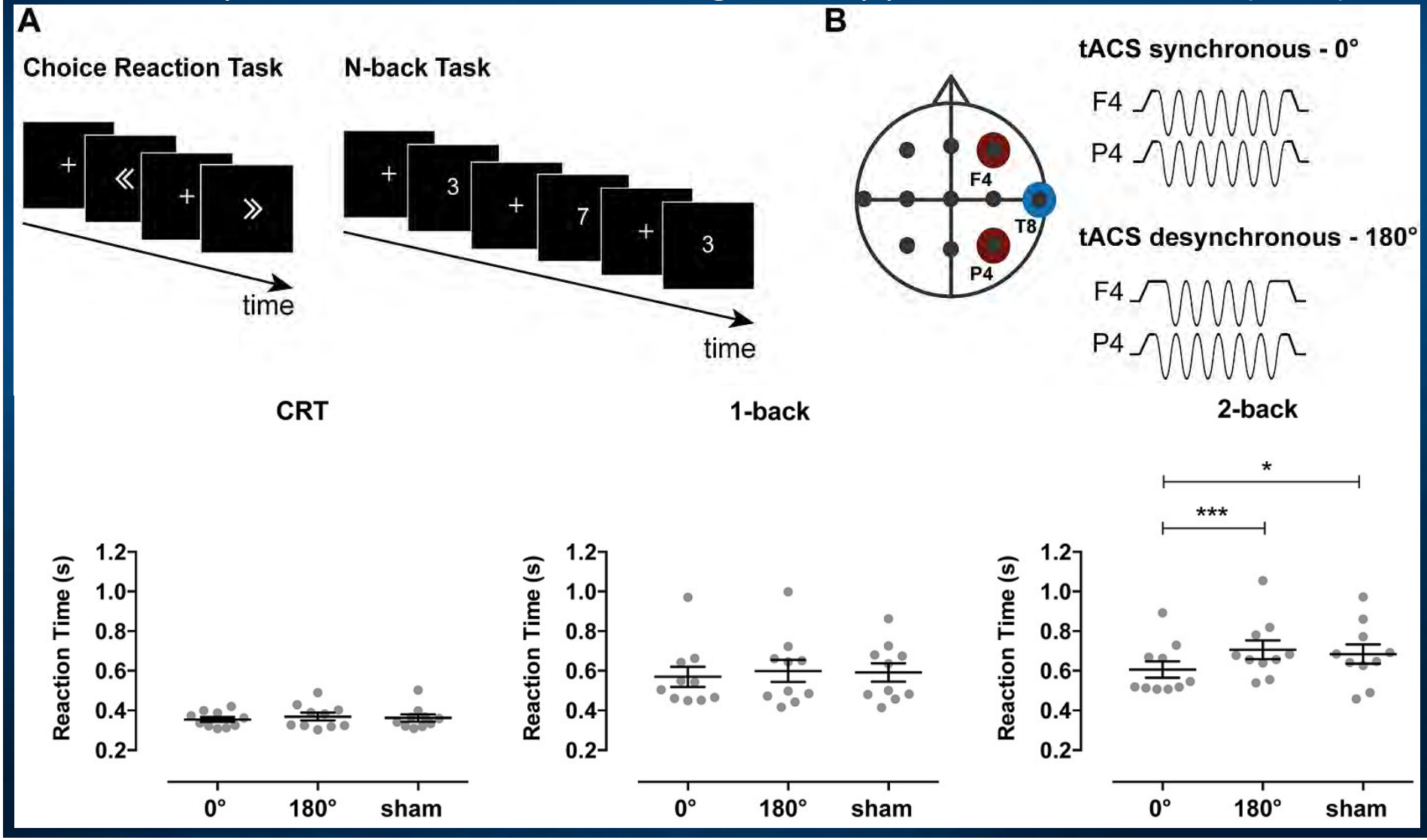


Your brain knows better what is interesting than you do!
Information relevance (salience) from brain signals!

1. Eugster, M. J. A., … N., Jacucci, G., & Kaski, S. (2016). Natural brain-information interfaces: Recommending information by relevance inferred from human brain signals. *Scientific Reports 6, 38580*.
2. Violante et al. (2017) Externally induced frontoparietal synchronization modulates network dynamics and **enhances working memory** performance. Elife 6, e22001
3. Mazurek & Schieber (2017). Injecting Instructions into Premotor Cortex. *Neuron*, *96*(6), 1282–1289.e4. **Teaching skills by stimulating cortex:** microstimulation too low to evoke muscle activation, applied in premotor cortex of monkeys, instructed specific actions.
4. Yuan, H., Rippetoe, J., Ding, L., Kang, Z., Shehab, R. L., & West, S. G. (2017). Universal design for learning (UDL) in the framework of neuroscience-based education and neuroimaging-based assessment. *2017* Neuroimaging based assessment strategy may provide an objective means of evaluating learning outcomes in the application of UDL, an educational framework for flexible learning environments that adapt to individuals.

Synchronize PFC/PC

Violante, I.R. et al. Externally induced frontoparietal synchronization modulates network dynamics and enhances working memory performance. ELife, 6 (2017).

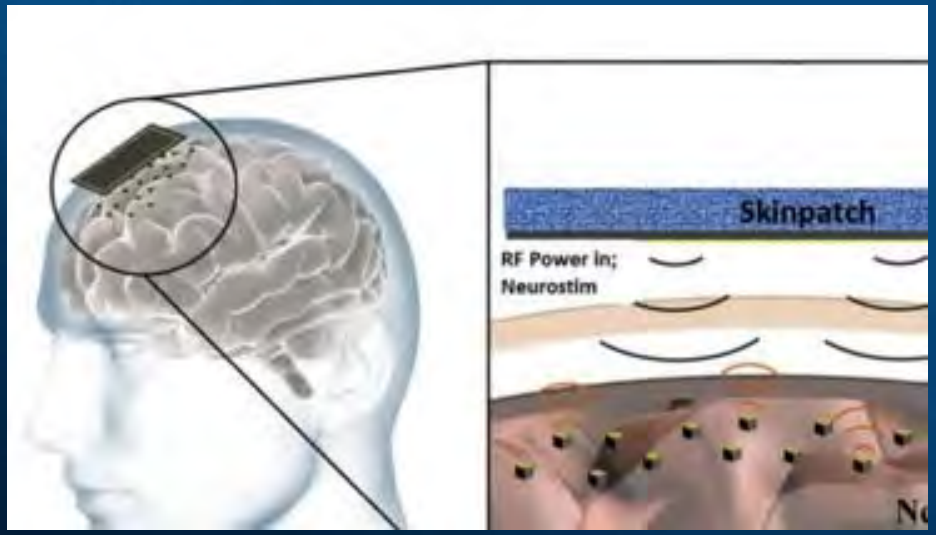


Million nanowires in your brain?

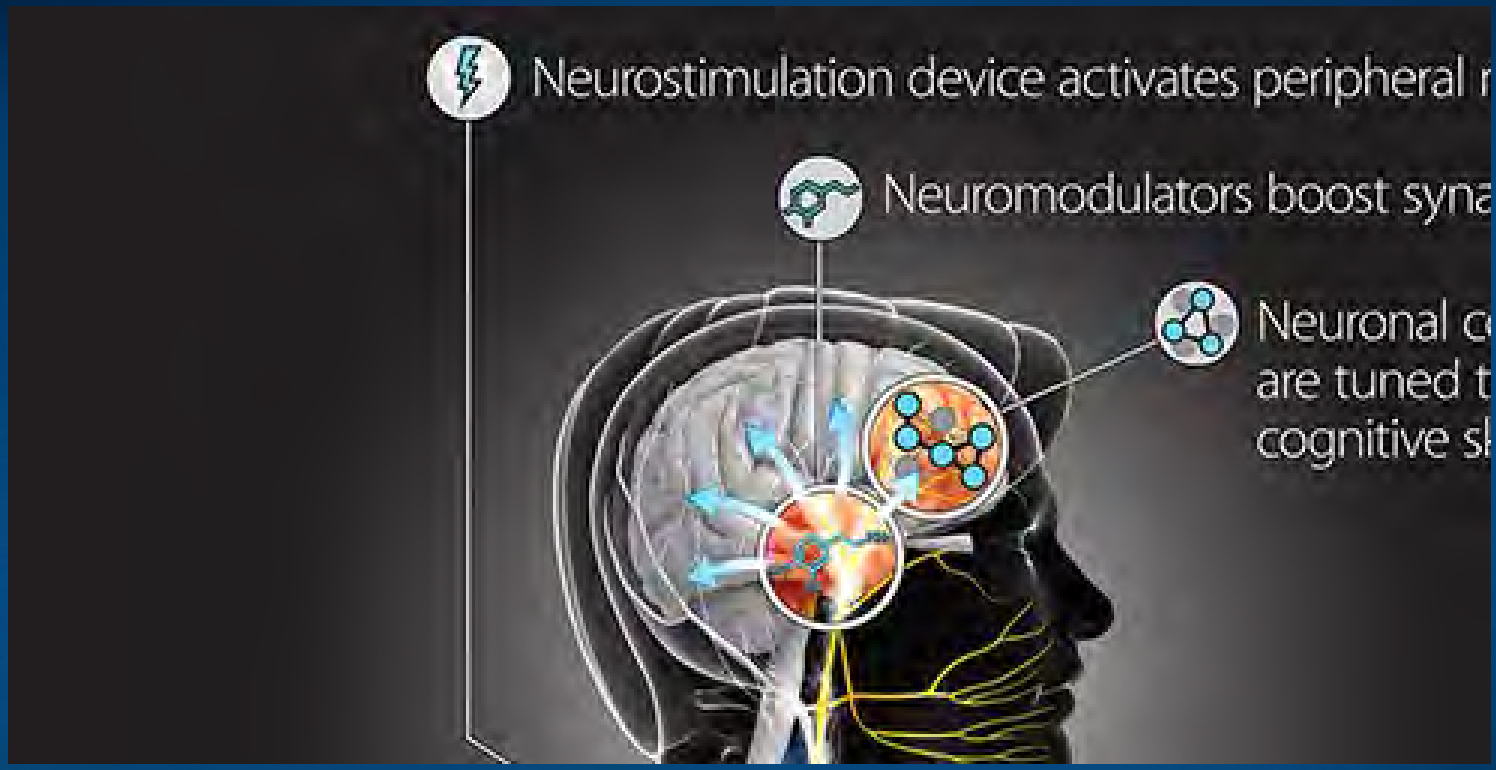
DARPA (2016): **Neural Engineering System Design (NESD)**
Interface that reads impulses of 10^6 neurons, injecting currents to 10^5 neurons, and reading/activating 10^3 neurons.

DARPA Electrical Prescriptions (ElectRx) project enables "artificial modulation of peripheral nerves to restore healthy patterns of signaling in these neural circuits. ElectRx devices and therapeutic systems under development are entering into clinical studies."

Neural lace i neural dust project for cortex stimulation.



Targeted Neuroplasticity Training

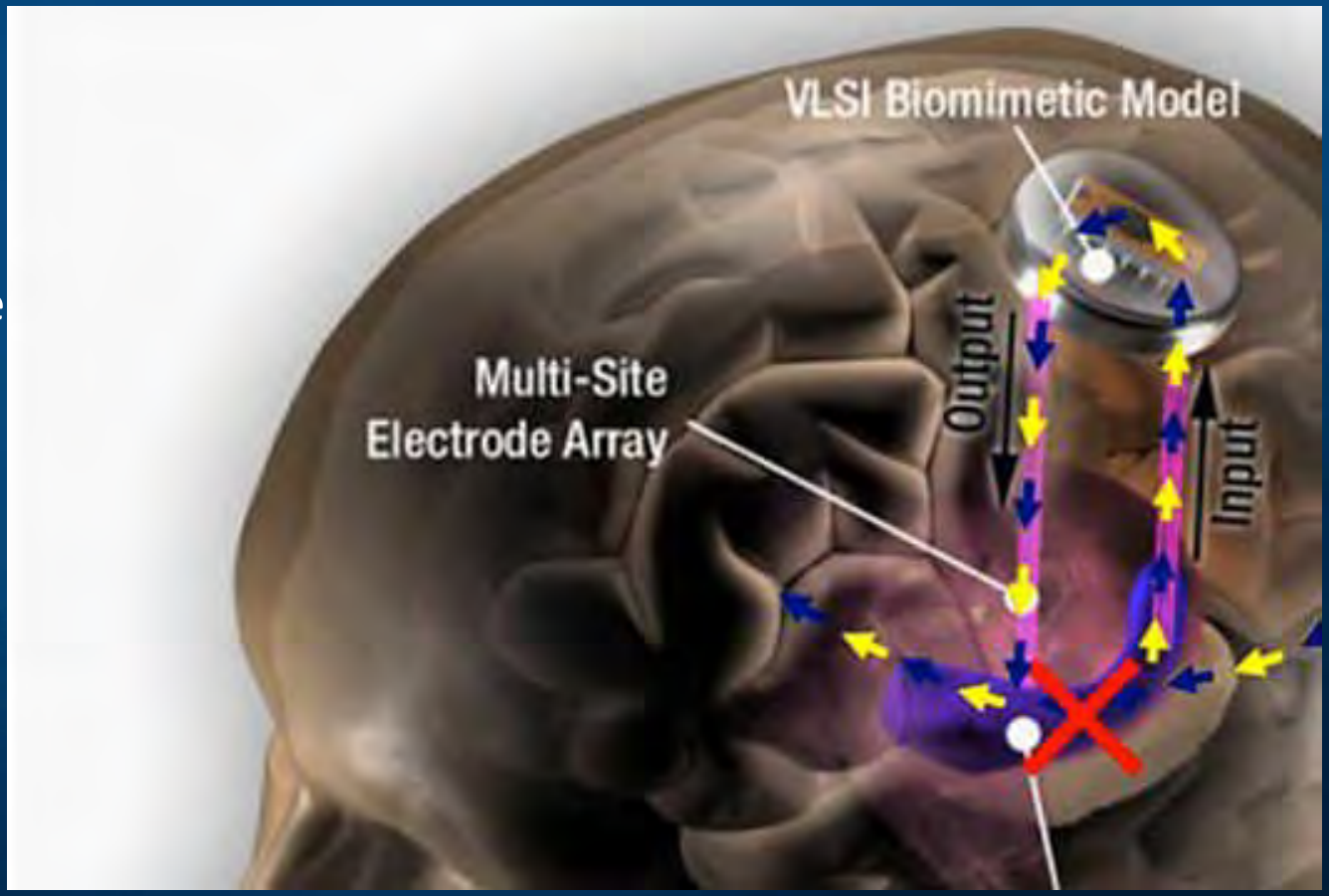


DARPA (2017): Enhance learning of a wide range of cognitive skills, with a goal of reducing the cost and duration of the Defense Department's extensive training regimen, while improving outcomes. TNT could accelerate learning and reduce the time needed to train foreign language specialists, intelligence analysts, cryptographers, and others.

Memory implants

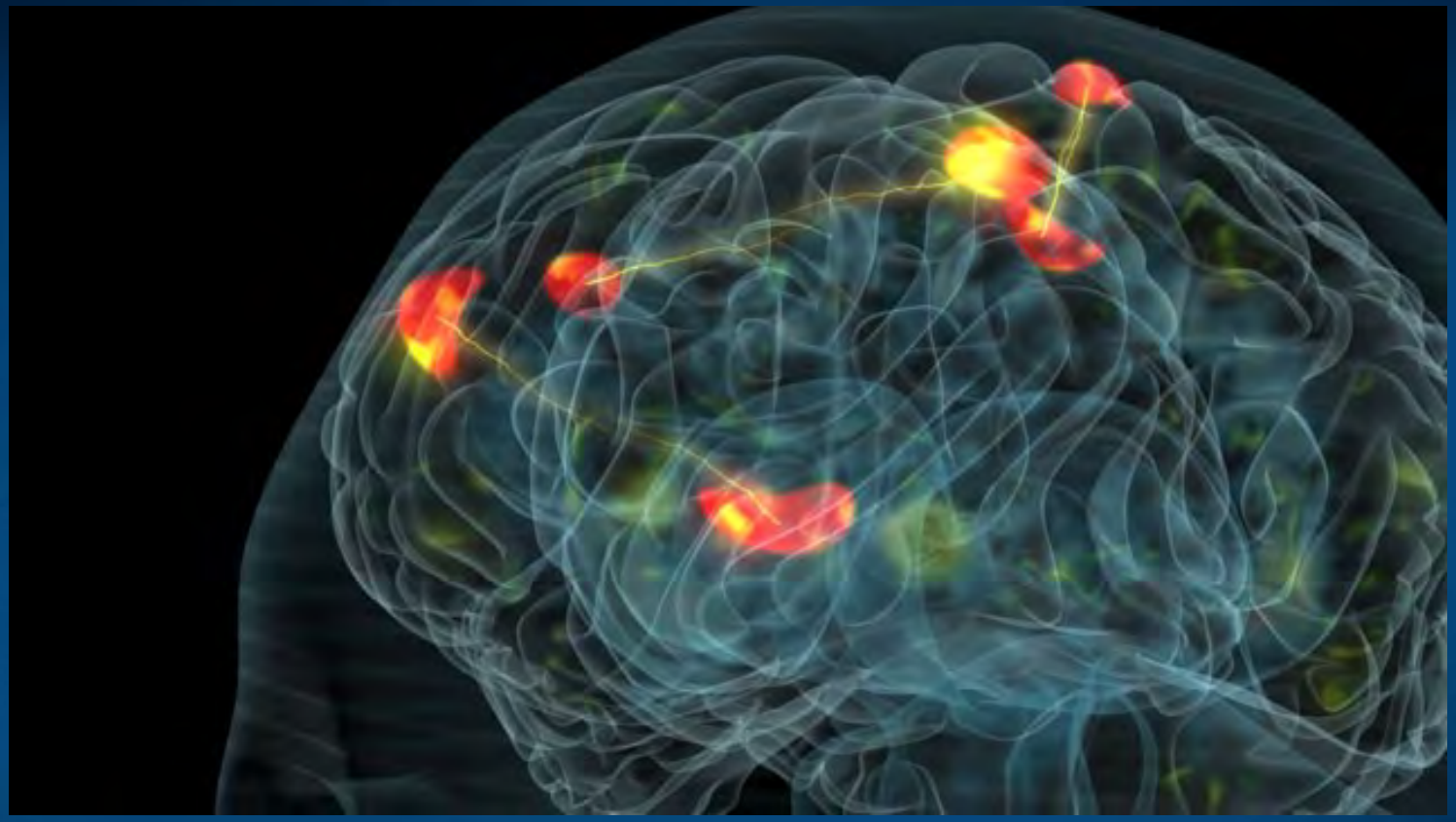
Ted Berger (USC, Kernel): hippocampal neural prosthetics facilitate human memory encoding and recall using the patient's own hippocampal spatiotemporal neural codes. Tests on rats, monkeys and on people gave memory improvements on about 35% (J. Neural Engineering 15, 2018).

DARPA: Restoring Active Memory (RAM), new closed-loop, non-invasive systems that leverage the role of neural "replay" in the formation and recall of memory to help individuals better remember specific episodic events and learned skills.



Brain networks

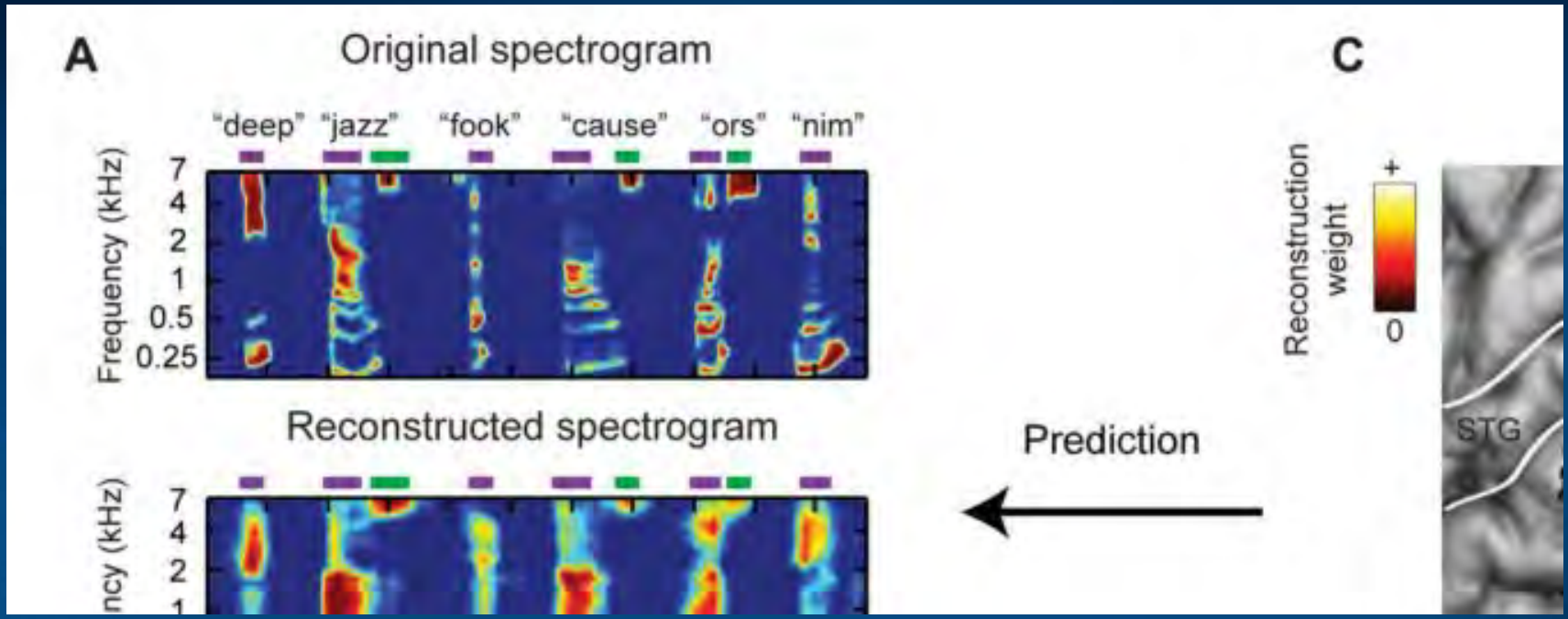
Mental state: strong coherent activation



Many processes go on in parallel, controlling homeostasis and behavior. Most are automatic, hidden from our Self. What goes on in my head?

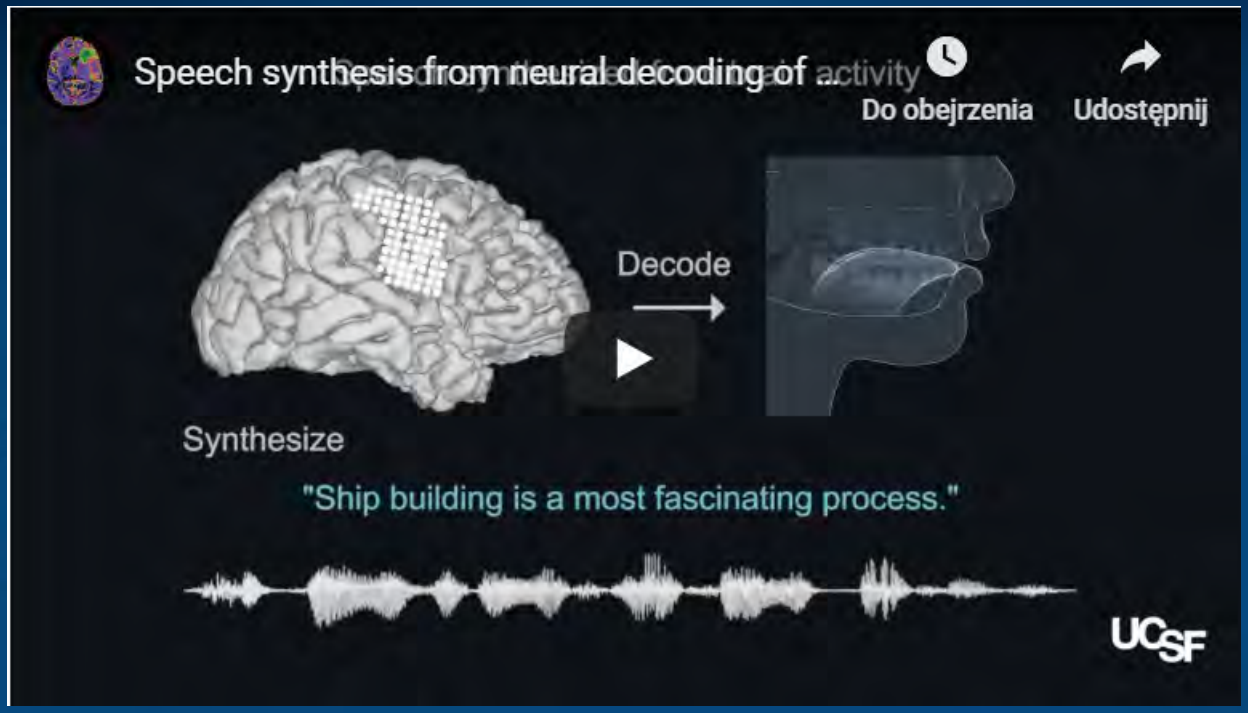
Various subnetworks compete for access to the highest level of control - consciousness, the winner-takes-most mechanism leaves only the strongest. Signal Detection Theory: extract quasistable states/intentions from noise.

Though: time, position, energy, frequency



Spectrogram of words – distribution of energy in space/time/frequency – may be reconstructed from local field potentials measured using electrocorticography, and then used to activate voice synthesizer, changing brain activations to speech.

Listing to thoughts

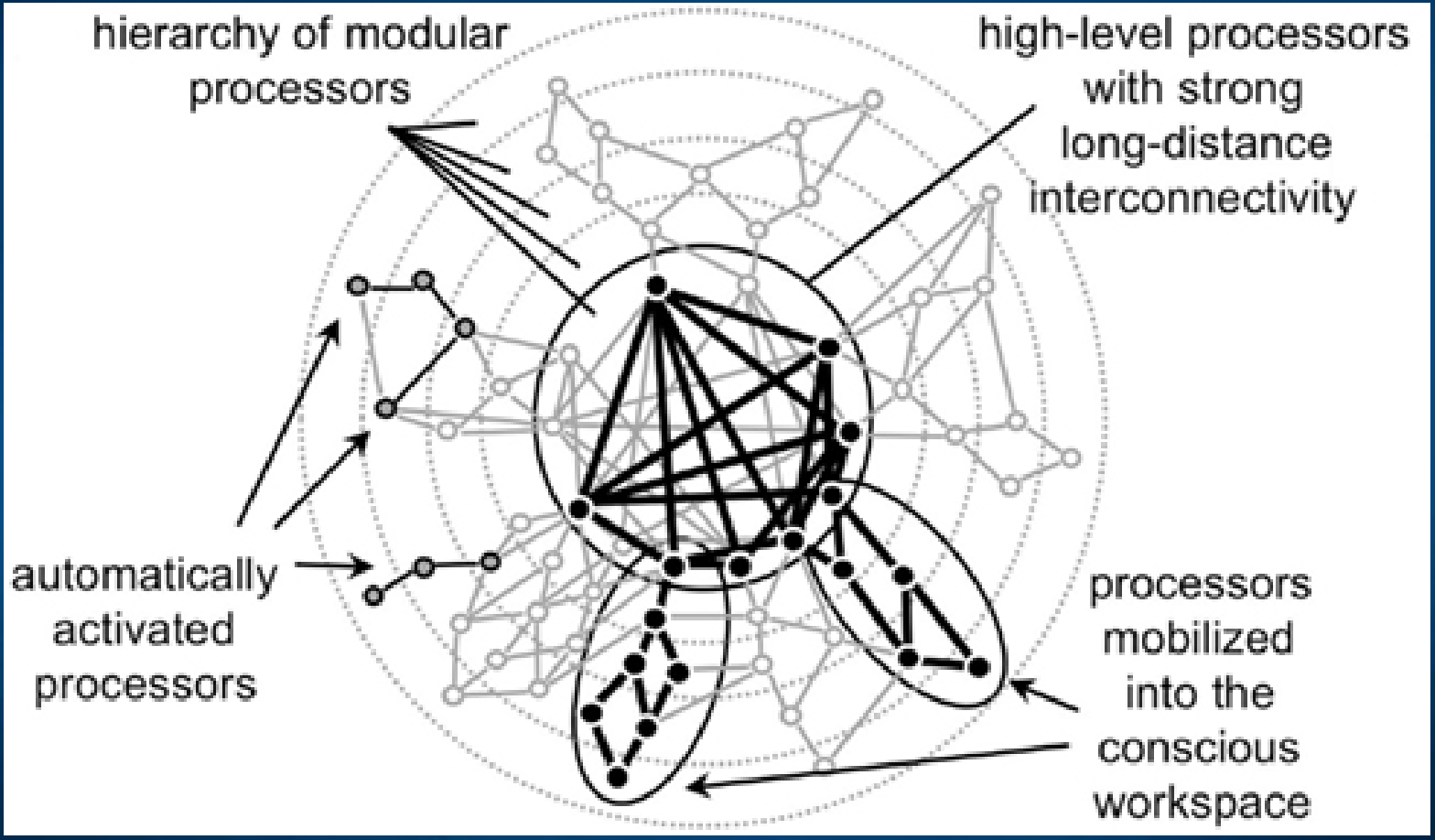


Patterns of cortical activations in higher order human auditory cortex allows for neural decoding of speech acoustic parameters, decoder is used to synthesize speech when a participant silently mimed sentences.

Pasley et al. (2012); G.K. Anumanchipalli, J. Chartier, E.F. Chang, Speech synthesis from neural decoding of spoken sentences. Nature 24/4/2019

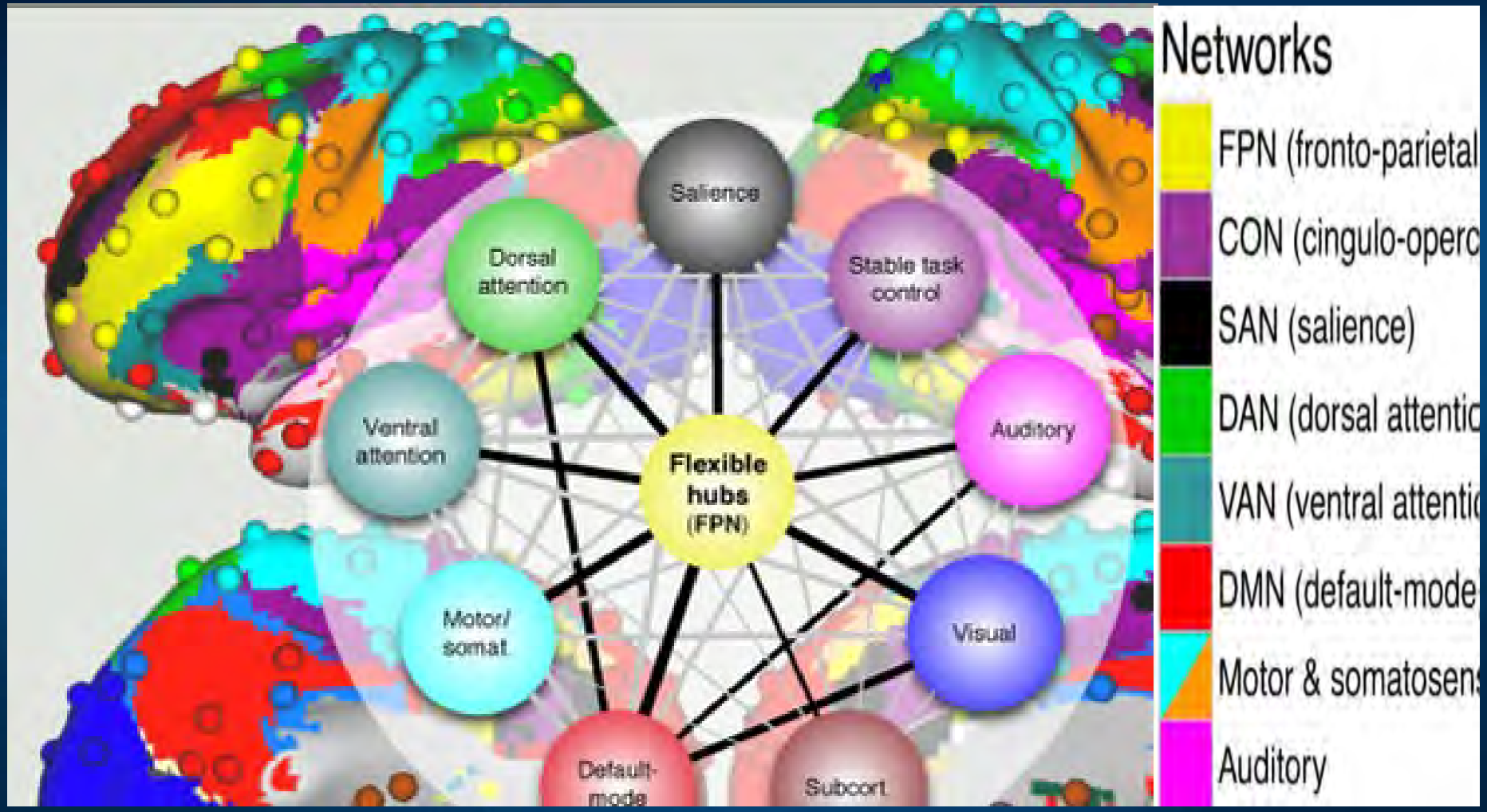
GNWT

Global Neuronal Workspace Theory (Dehaene et al. 1998)

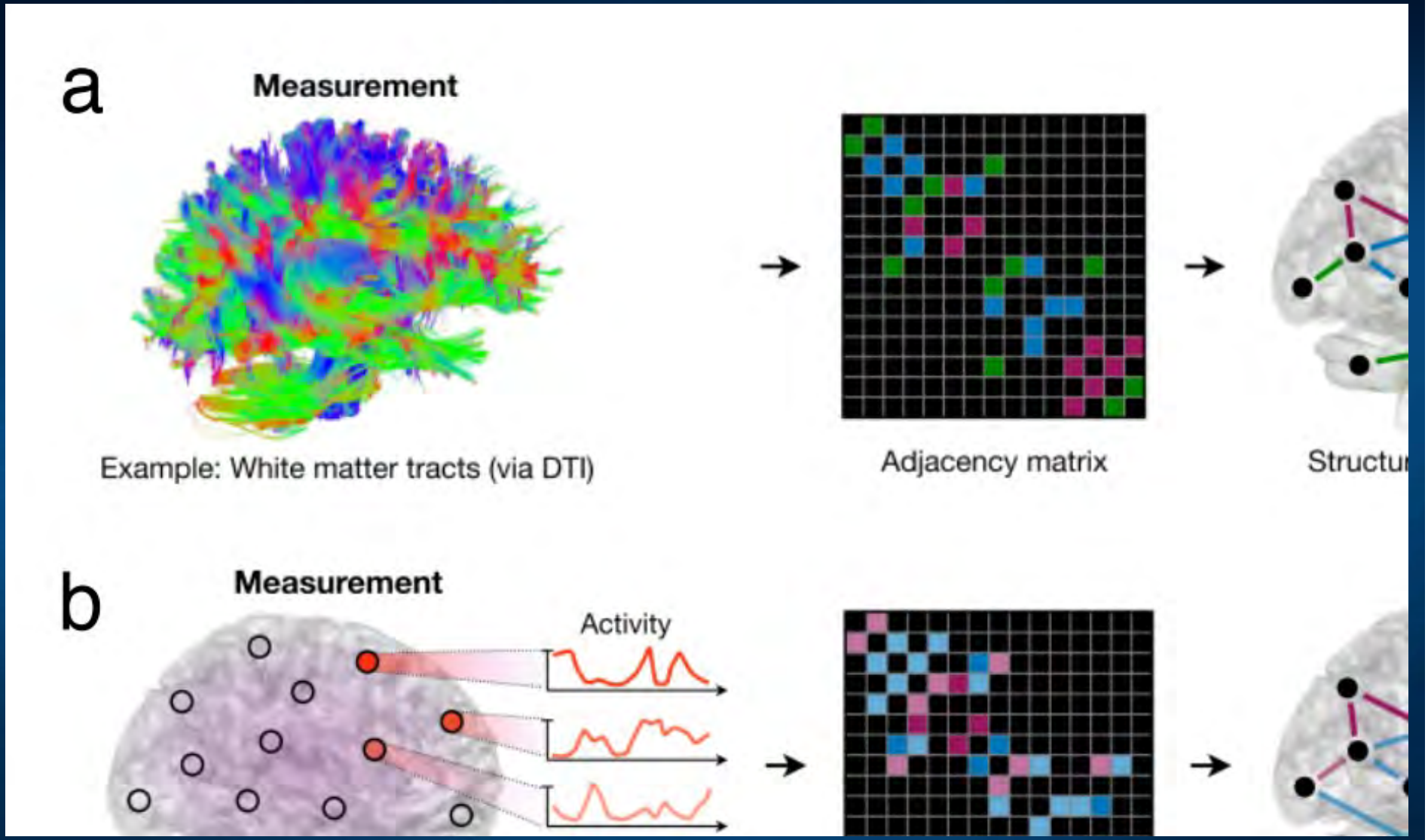


Brain is a substrate in which thoughts, feelings and intentions arise.

Neurocognitive Basis of Cognitive Control



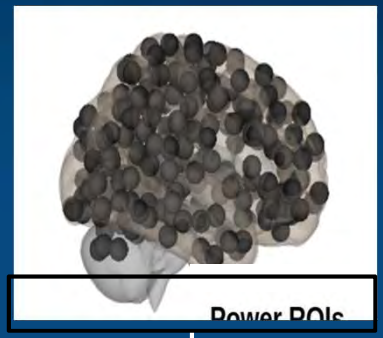
Central role of fronto-parietal (FPN) flexible hubs in cognitive control and adaptive implementation of task demands (black lines=correlations significantly above network average). Cole et al. (2013).



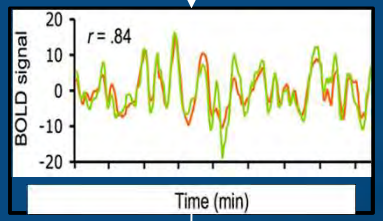
Lynn and Bassett (2018) The physics of brain network structure, function, and control. arXiv:1809.06441.

Human connectome and MRI/fMRI

Node definition (parcelation)



Signal extraction



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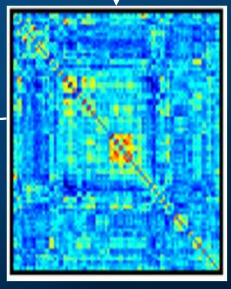
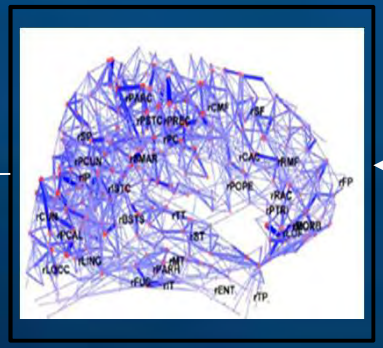
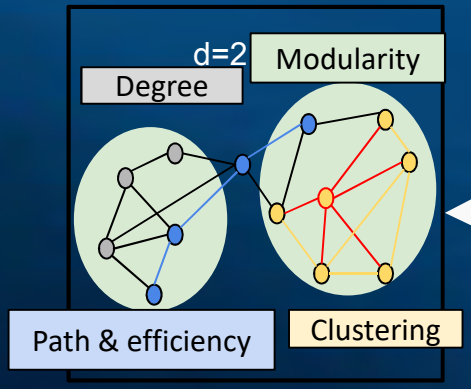


Correlation matrix

Binary matrix



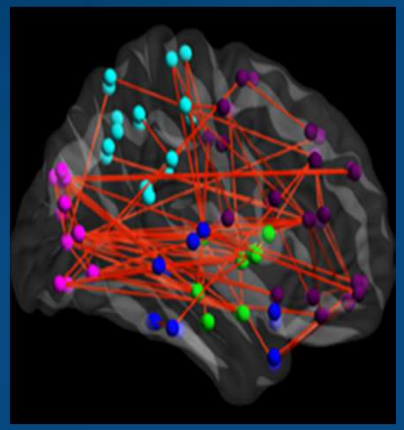
Whole-brain graph



Graph theory

Structural connectivity

Functional connectivity



Many toolboxes available for such analysis.

Bullmore & Sporns (2009)

fMRI analysis has many steps and variants of preprocessing.

Anatomical preprocessing pipeline.

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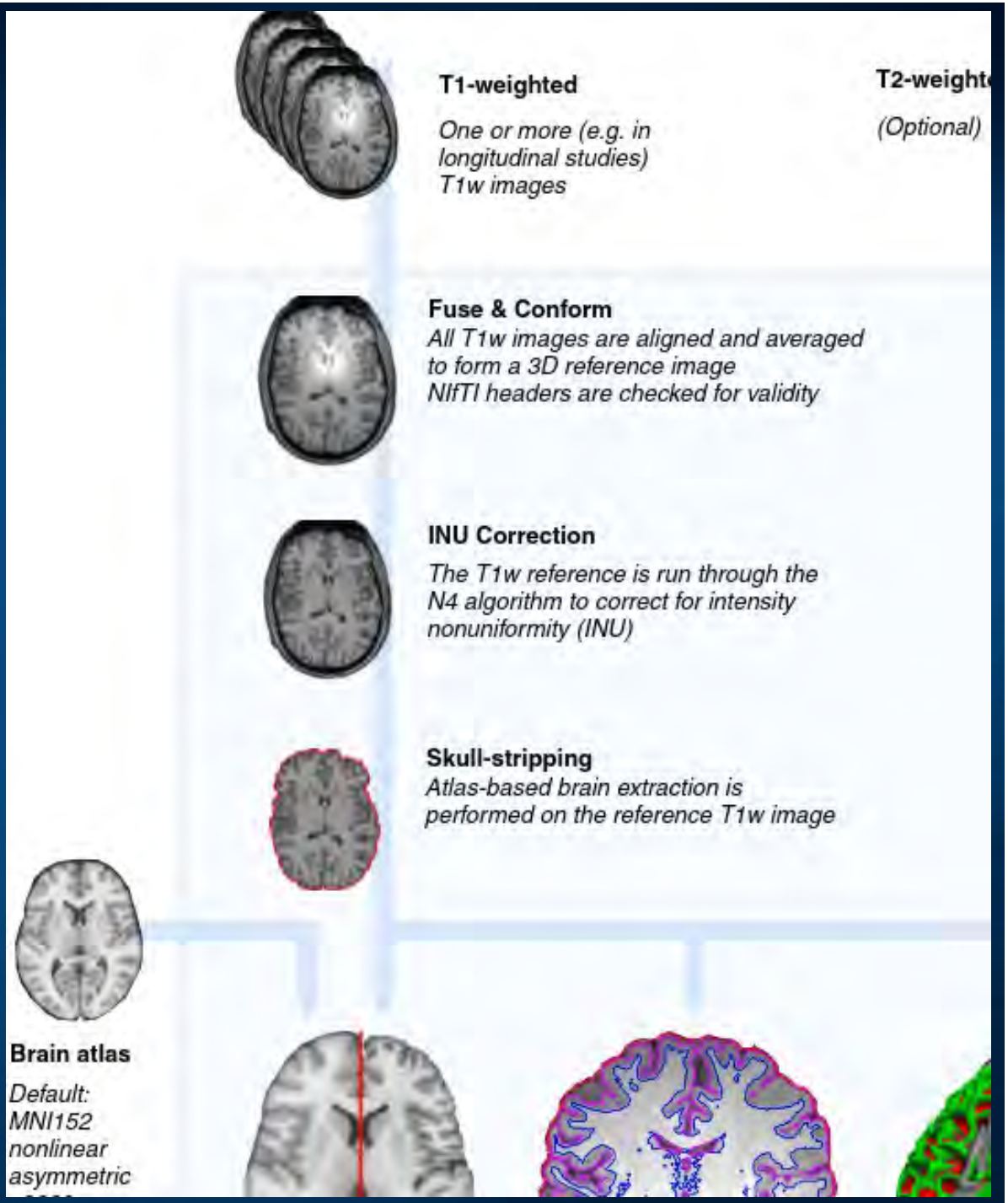

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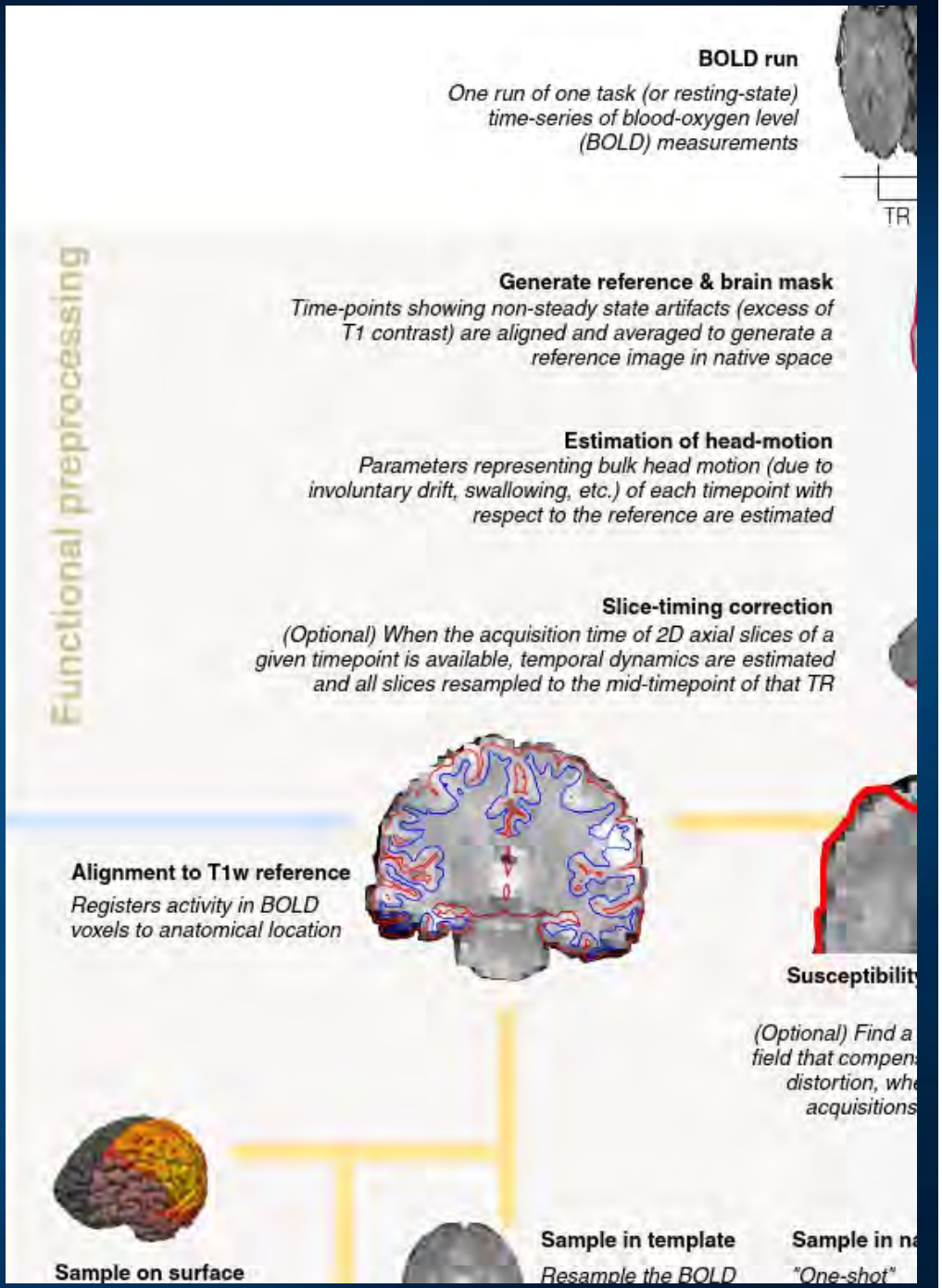
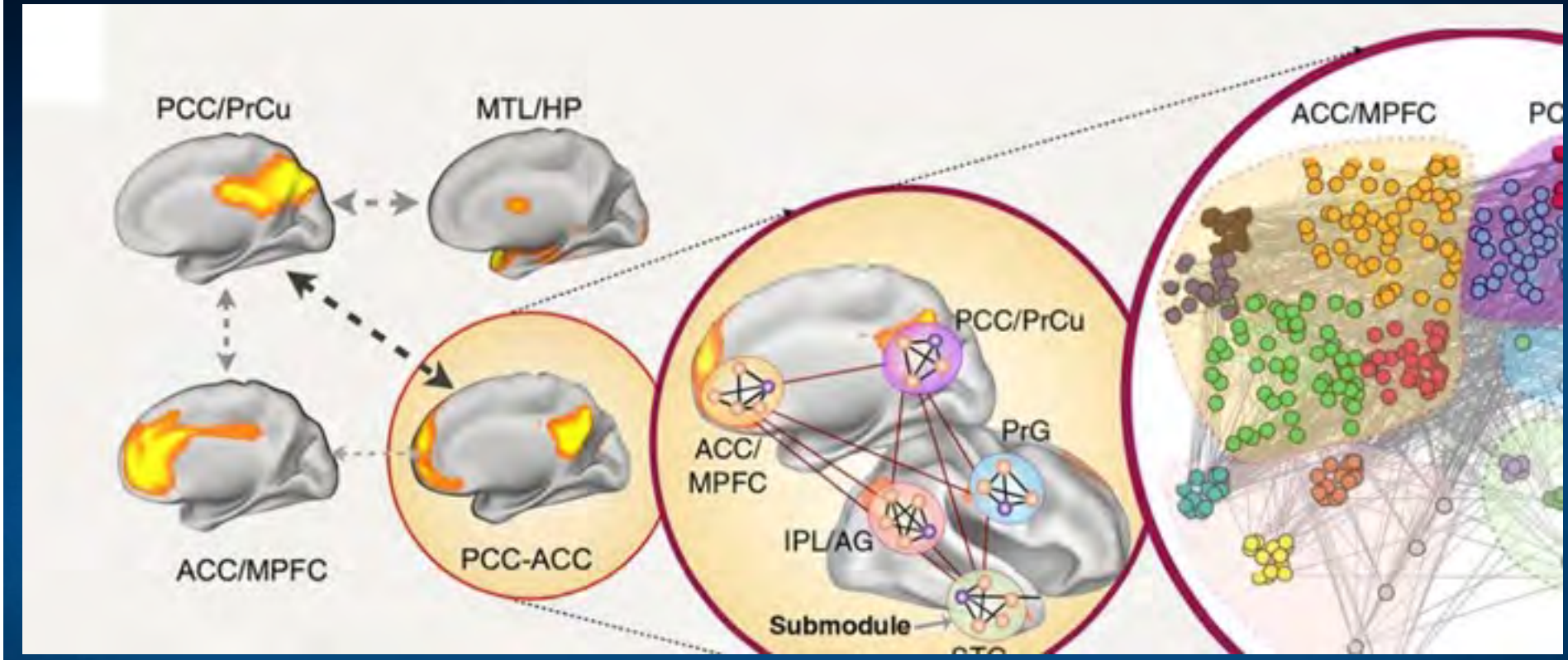
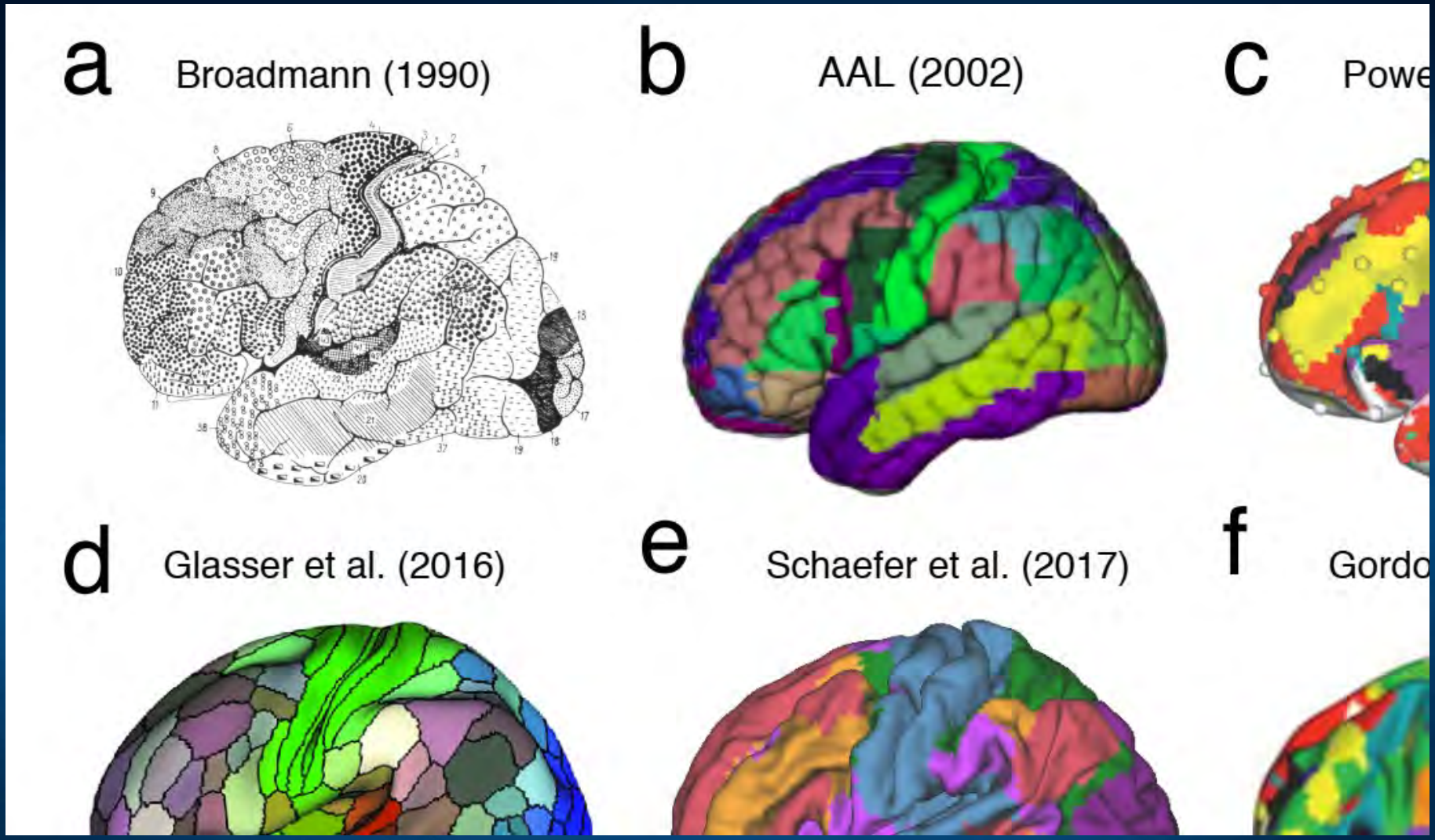
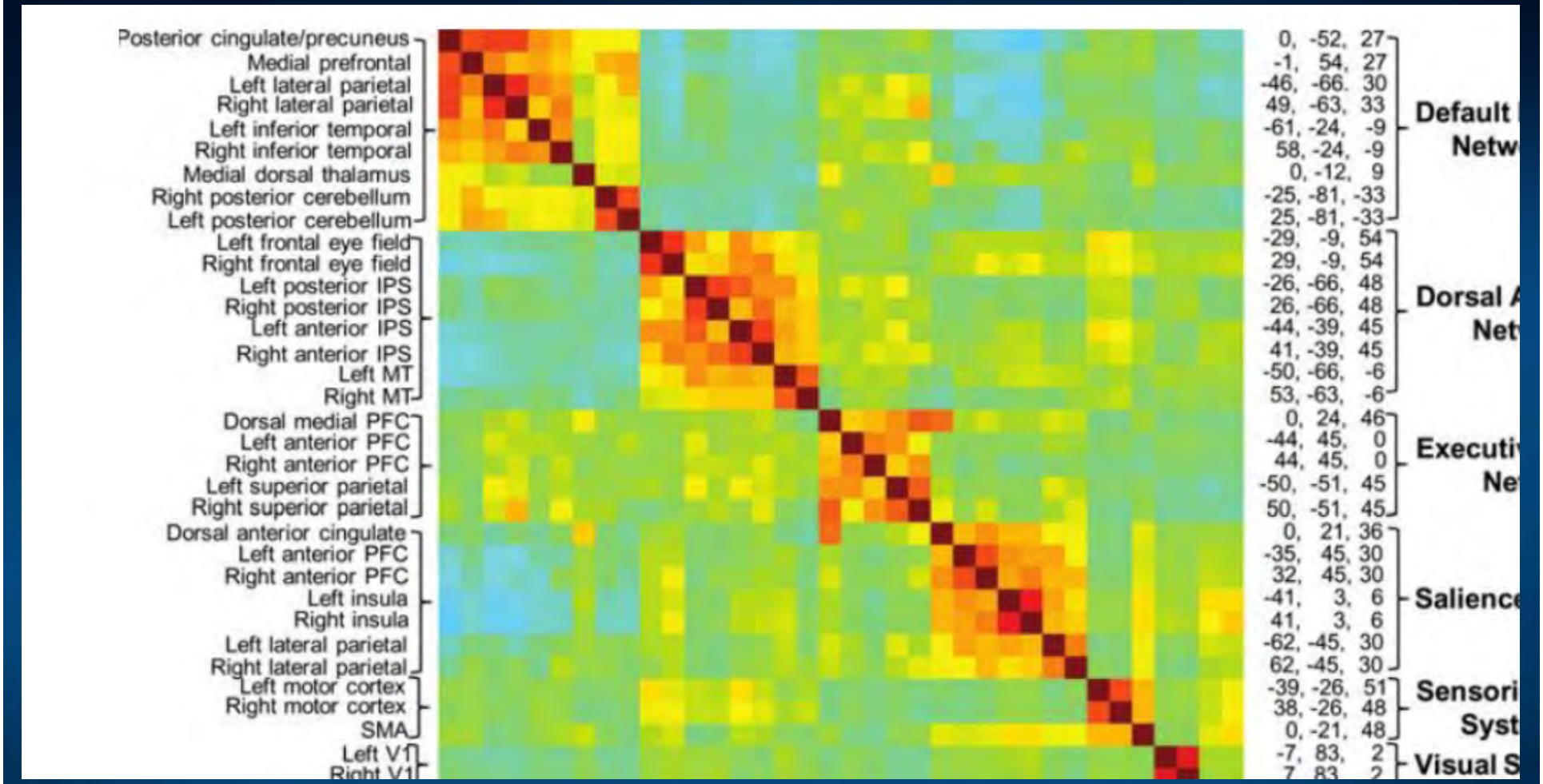




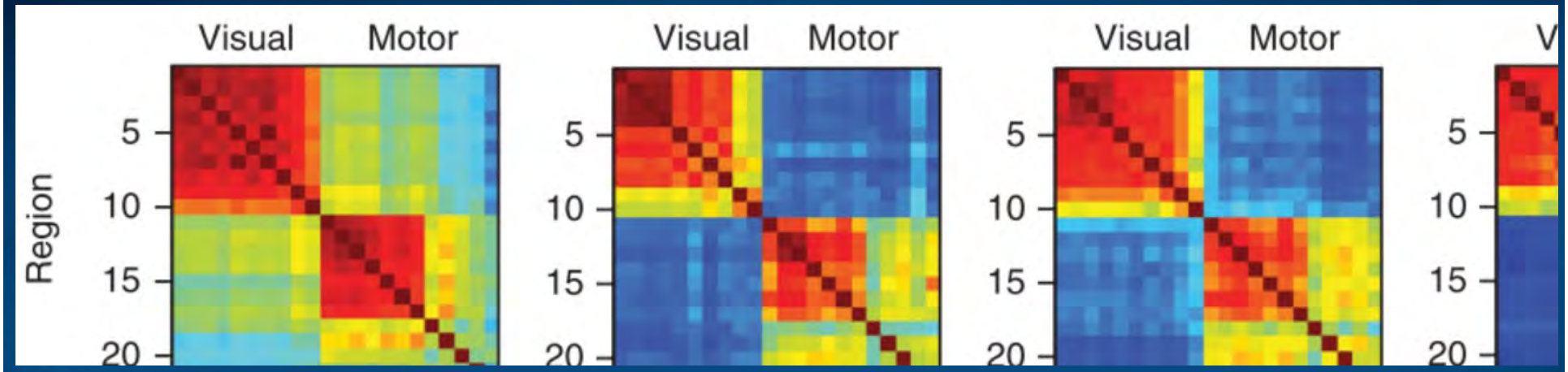
Hierarchical, modular Russian doll-like organization of the human brain networks. From Park and Friston (2013). Structural and functional brain networks: from connections to cognition. Science, 342(6158):1238411



(**a**) Broadmann areas - cytoarchitectonic, (**b**) Automated Anatomical Labelling (AAL) - macroanatomy, (**c**) Power parcellation, meta-analysis of fMRI studies, (**d**) Glasser, multi-modal approach, (**e**) Schaefer - functional connectivity, (**f**) Gordon et al. - functional connectivity. K .Finc, PhD thesis (2019)



Correlation matrix representing resting-state functional connectivity between selected brain regions Shows stronger connectivity for 7 large-scale brain networks: default mode (DM), dorsal attention (DAT), executive control network (FPN, CON), salience (SAL), sensorimotor (SOM), visual (VSN), auditory (ASN). Switching DMN ⇔ Salience ⇔ FPN



Sequence learning task: reproduce motion sequences represented on the screen as a visual stimuli. Automatization increases modularity, distinct subnetworks, reducing interference between different processes.
6-week motor sequence training resulted in autonomy of visual and motor areas.

Bassett et al. (2015) Learning-induced autonomy of sensorimotor systems. Nature Neuroscience, 18(5):744.
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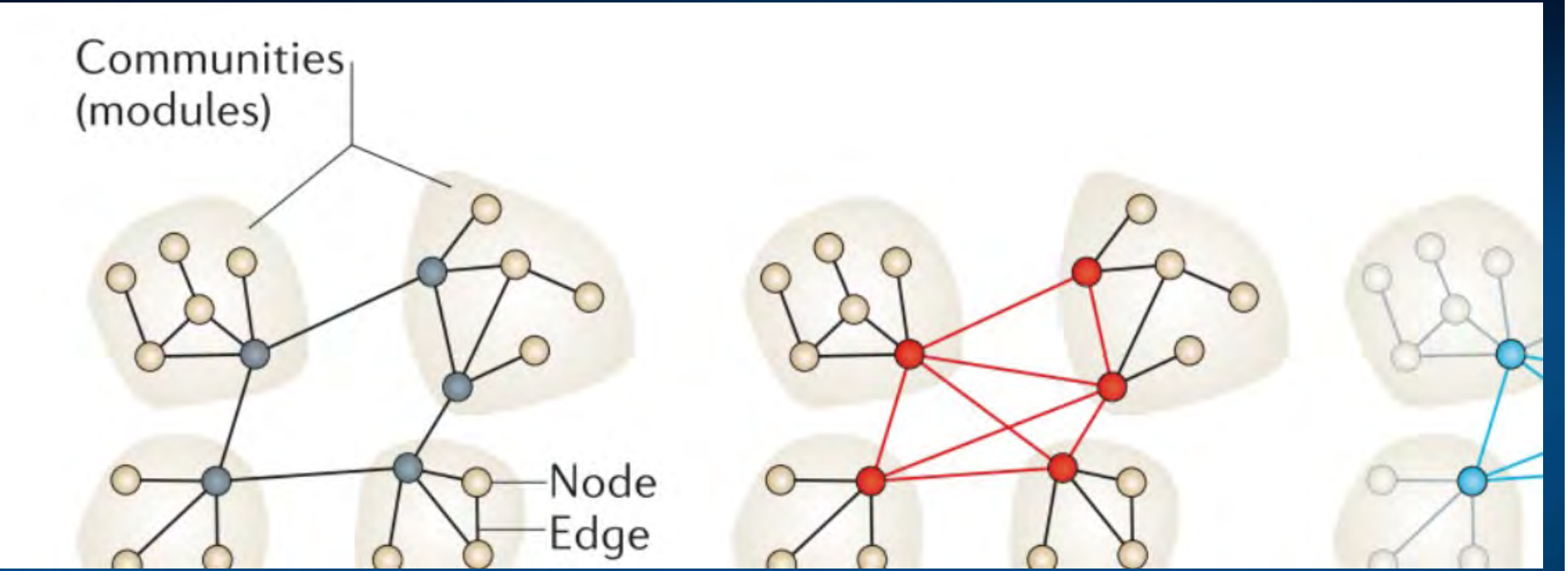
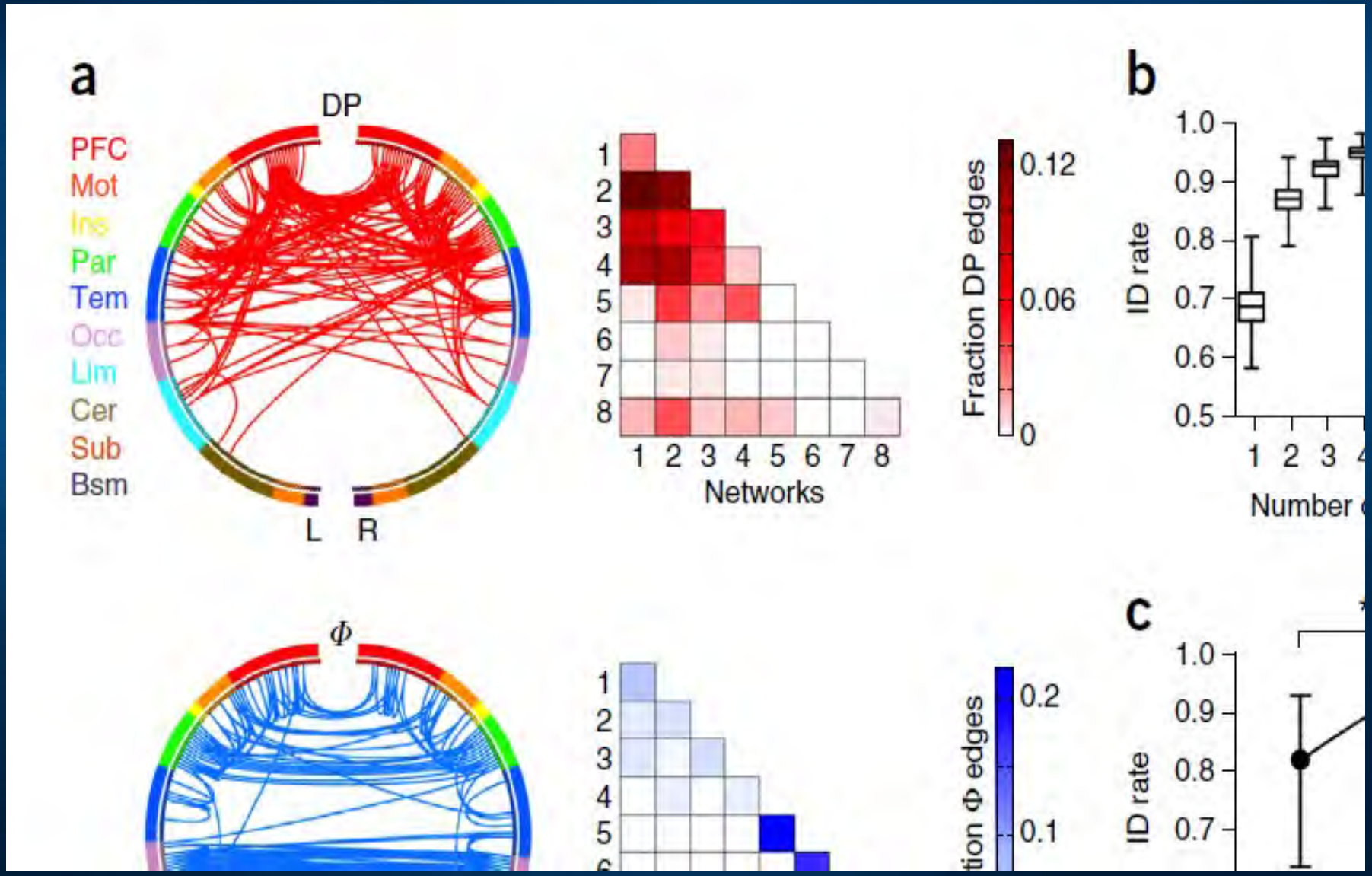


Network neuroscience is focused on identifying network structures. Hubs, rich club and core of the network. Hubs connect modules via long-distance connections. Hubs are also often densely interconnected forming so called ’rich club’ or integrated core.

Bullmore and Sporns (2012) The economy of brain network organization. Nature Reviews Neuroscience, 13(5):336.

Finn et al. (2015), **Functional connectome fingerprinting**: identifying individuals using patterns of brain connectivity. Nature Neuroscience. Top: highly unique; Bottom: highly consistent connections.

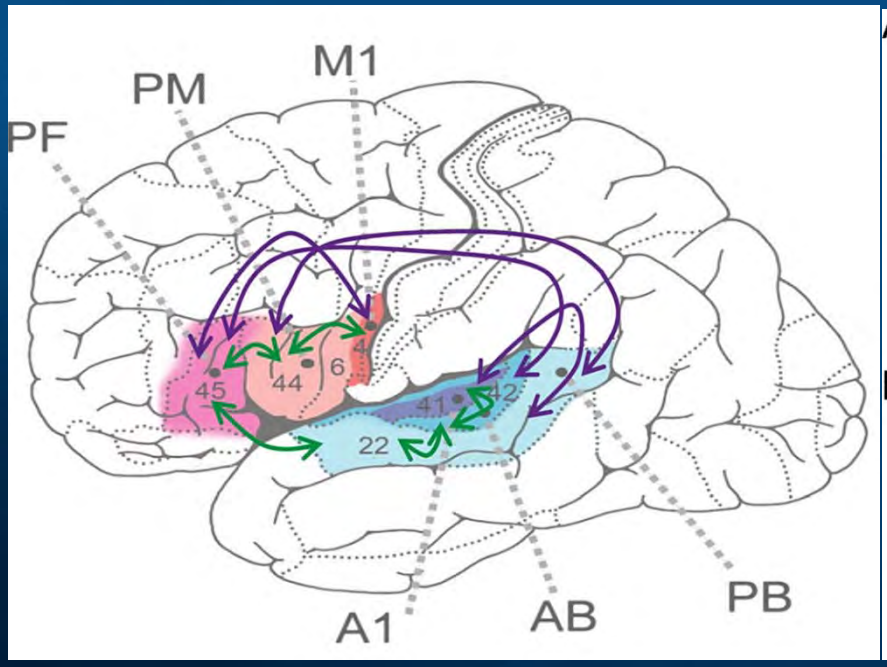


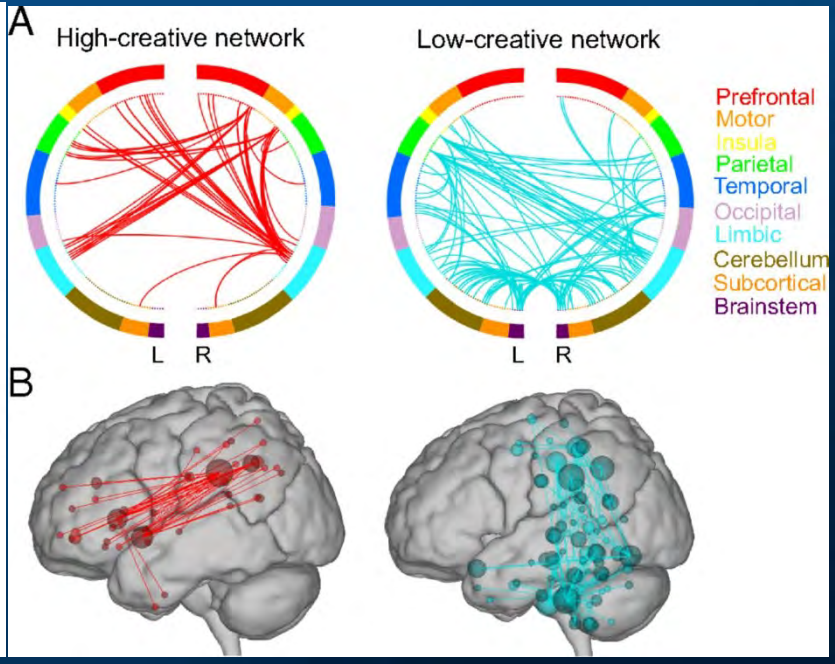
Fluid nature

Development of brain in infancy: first learning how to move, sensorimotor activity organizes brain network processes, rather consistent.

The Developing Human Connectome Project: create a dynamic map of human brain connectivity from 20 to 44 weeks post-conceptional age, which will link together imaging, clinical, behavioral, and genetic information.

Pointing, gestures, pre-linguistic (our BabyLab).



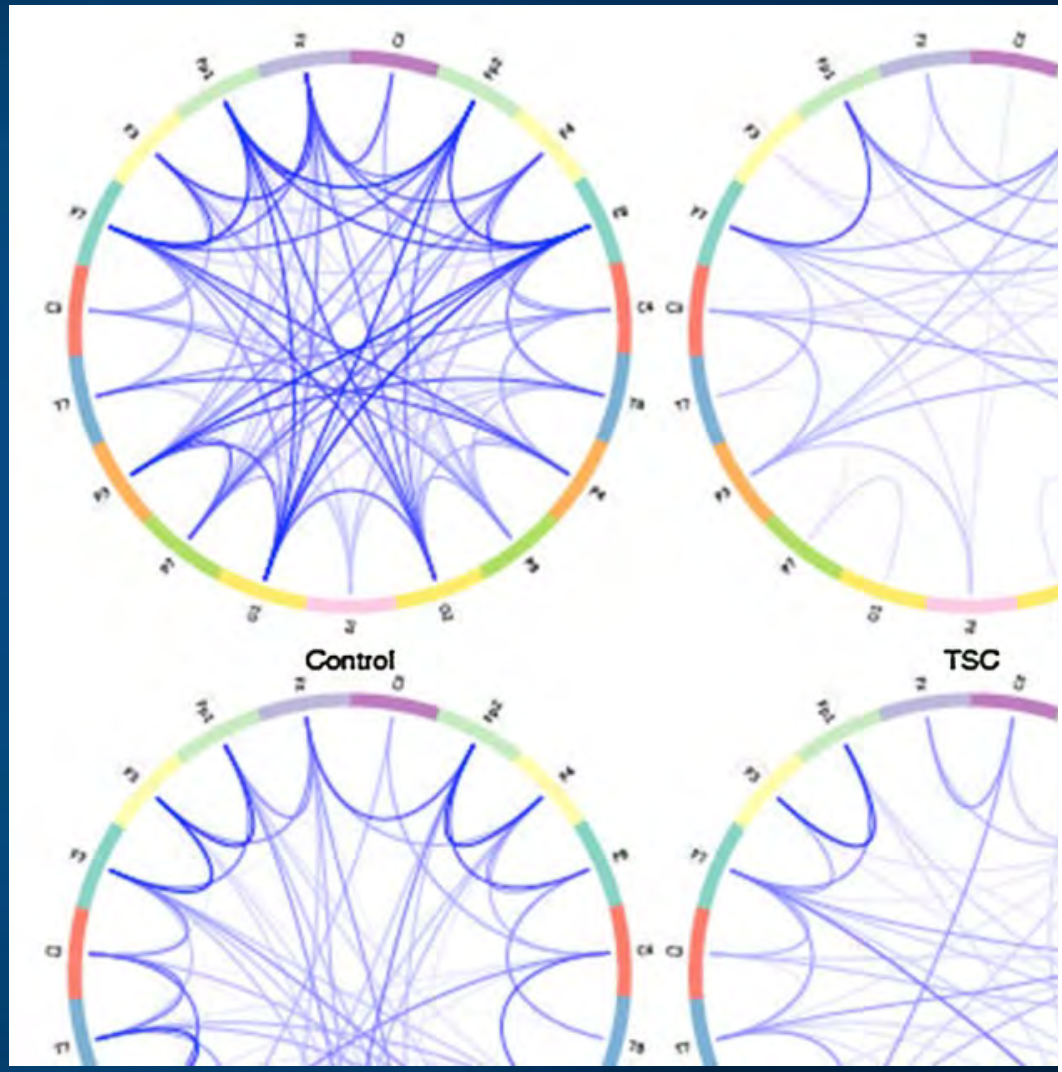


ASD: pathological FC

Comparison of connections for patients with ASD (autism spectrum), TSC (Tuberous Sclerosis), and ASD+TSC.

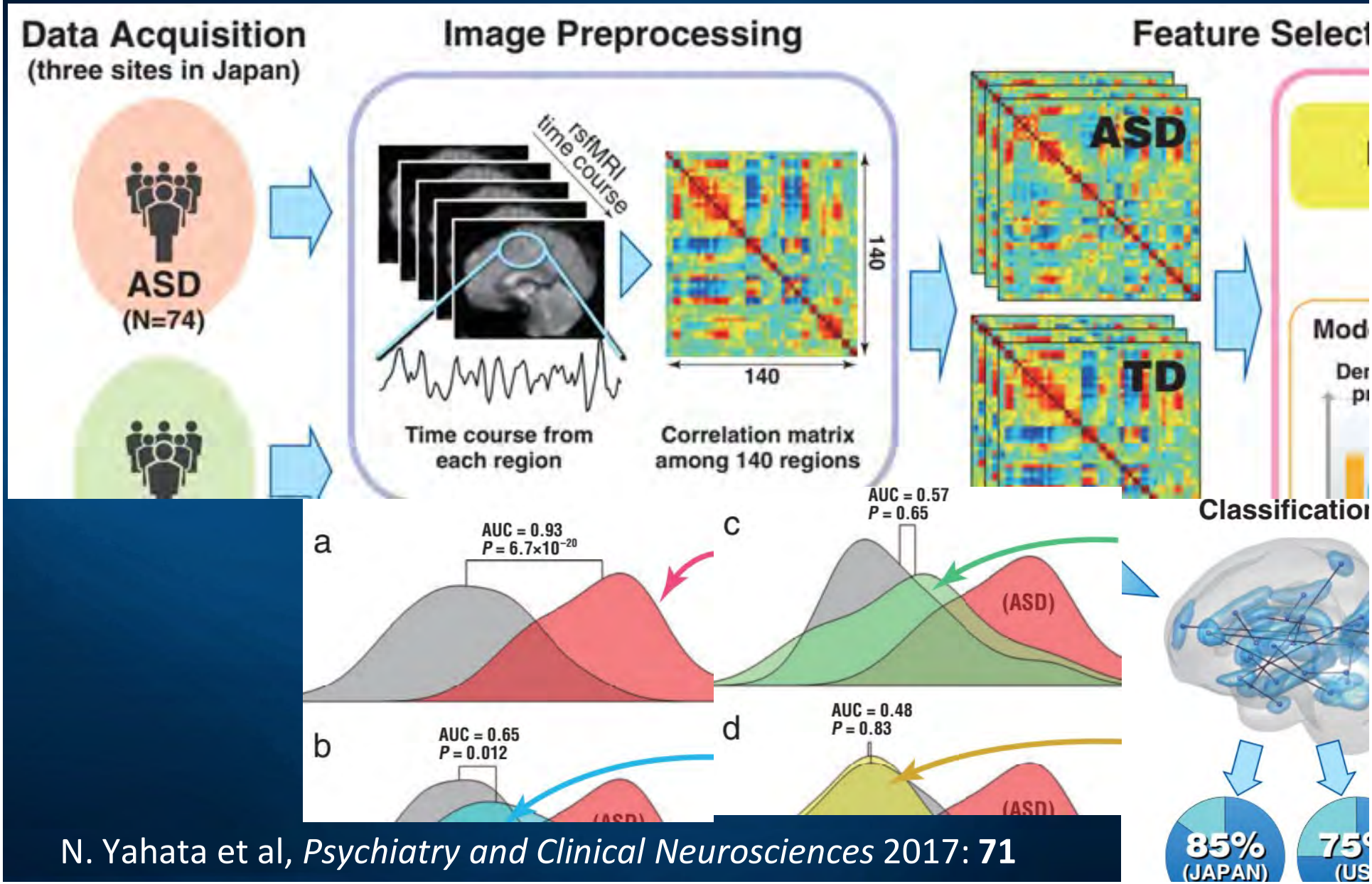
Coherence between electrodes. Weak or missing connections between distant regions prevent ASD/TSC patients from solving more demanding cognitive tasks.

Network analysis becomes very useful for diagnosis of changes due to the disease and learning; **correct your networks**!



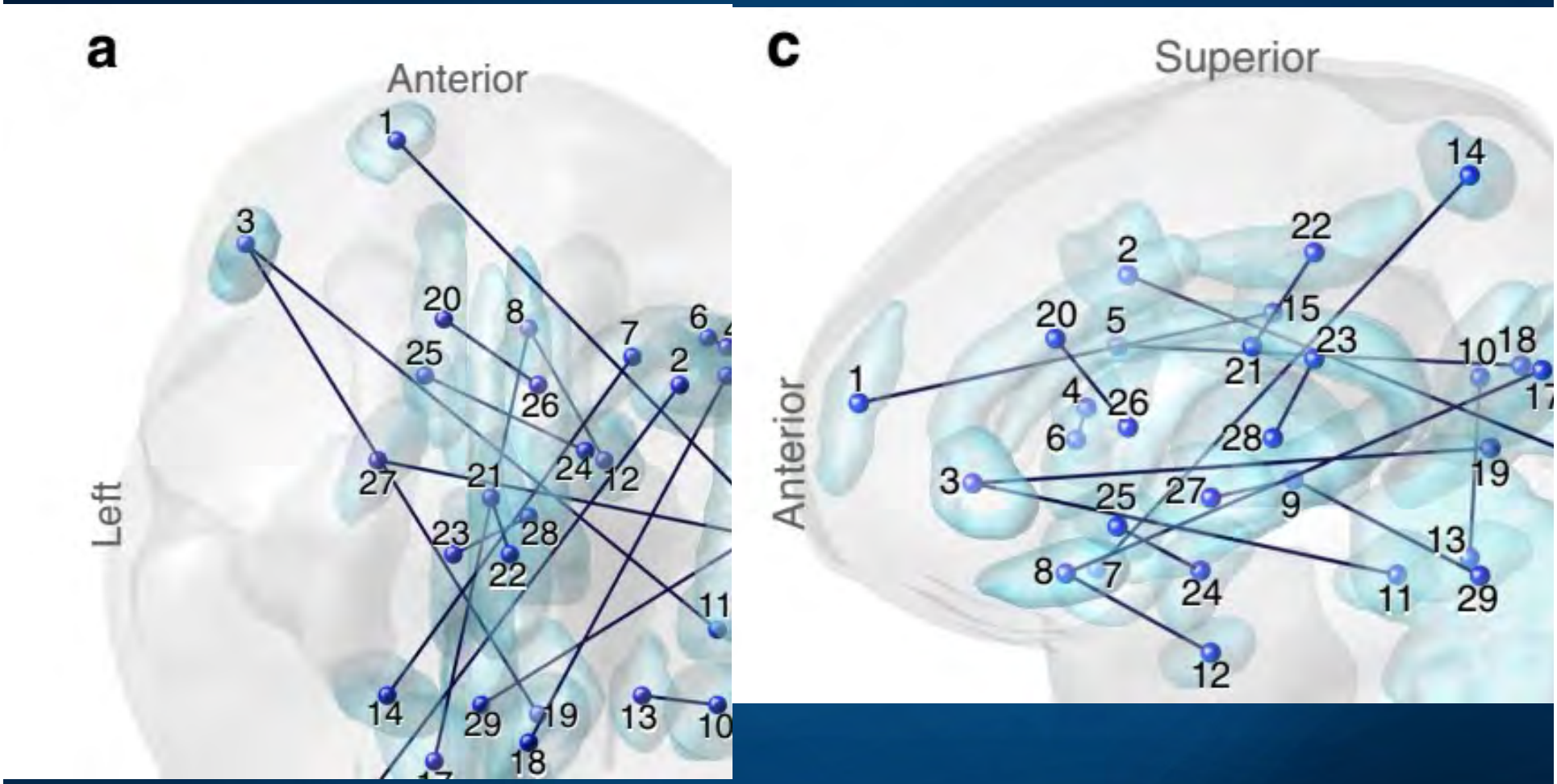
J.F. Glazebrook, R. Wallace, Pathologies in functional connectivity, feedback control and robustness. Cogn Process (2015) 16:1–16

Biomarkers from neuroimaging



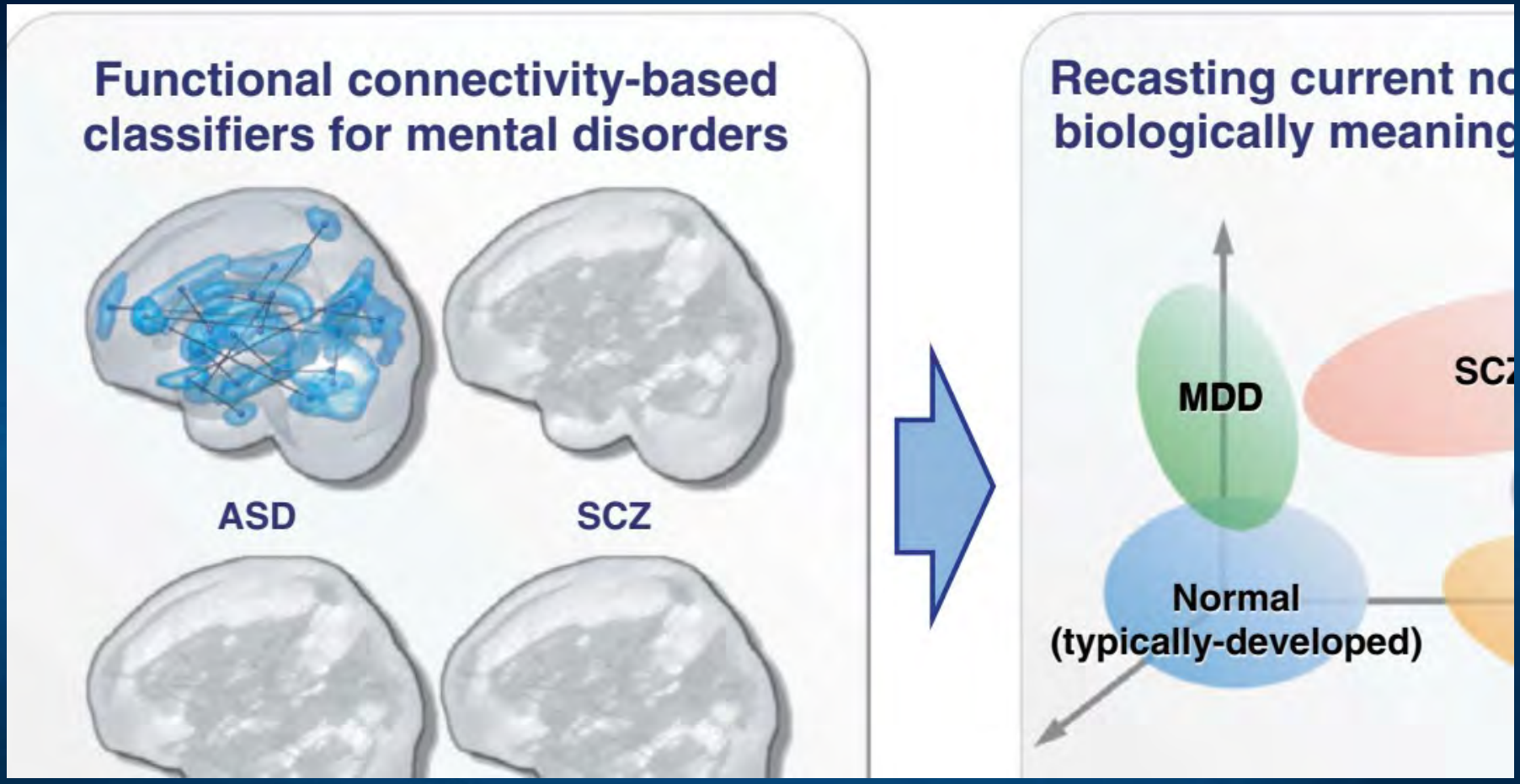
N. Yahata et al, *Psychiatry and Clinical Neurosciences* 2017: **71**

Selected connections



N. Yahata et al (2016): 29 selected regions (ROI) and 16 connections are sufficient to recognize ASD with 85% accuracy in 74 Japanese adult patients vs. 107 people in control group; without re-training accuracy was 75% on US patients.

Biomarkers of mental disorders



MDD, deep depression, SCZ, schizophrenia, OCD, obsessive-compulsive disorder, ASD autism spectrum disorder. fMRI biomarkers allow for objective diagnosis.
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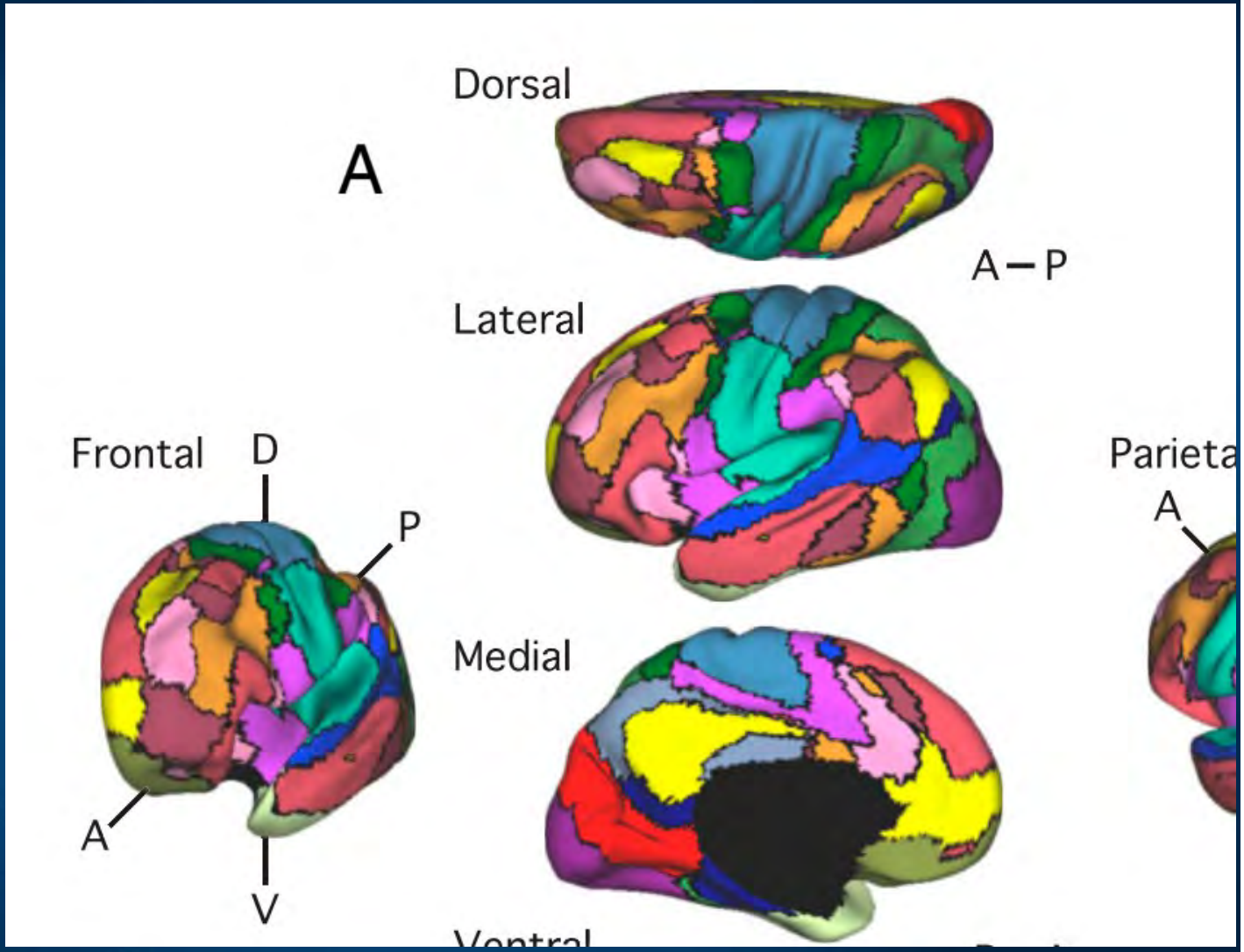
Intrinsic connectivity

Networks of functionally coupled regions.

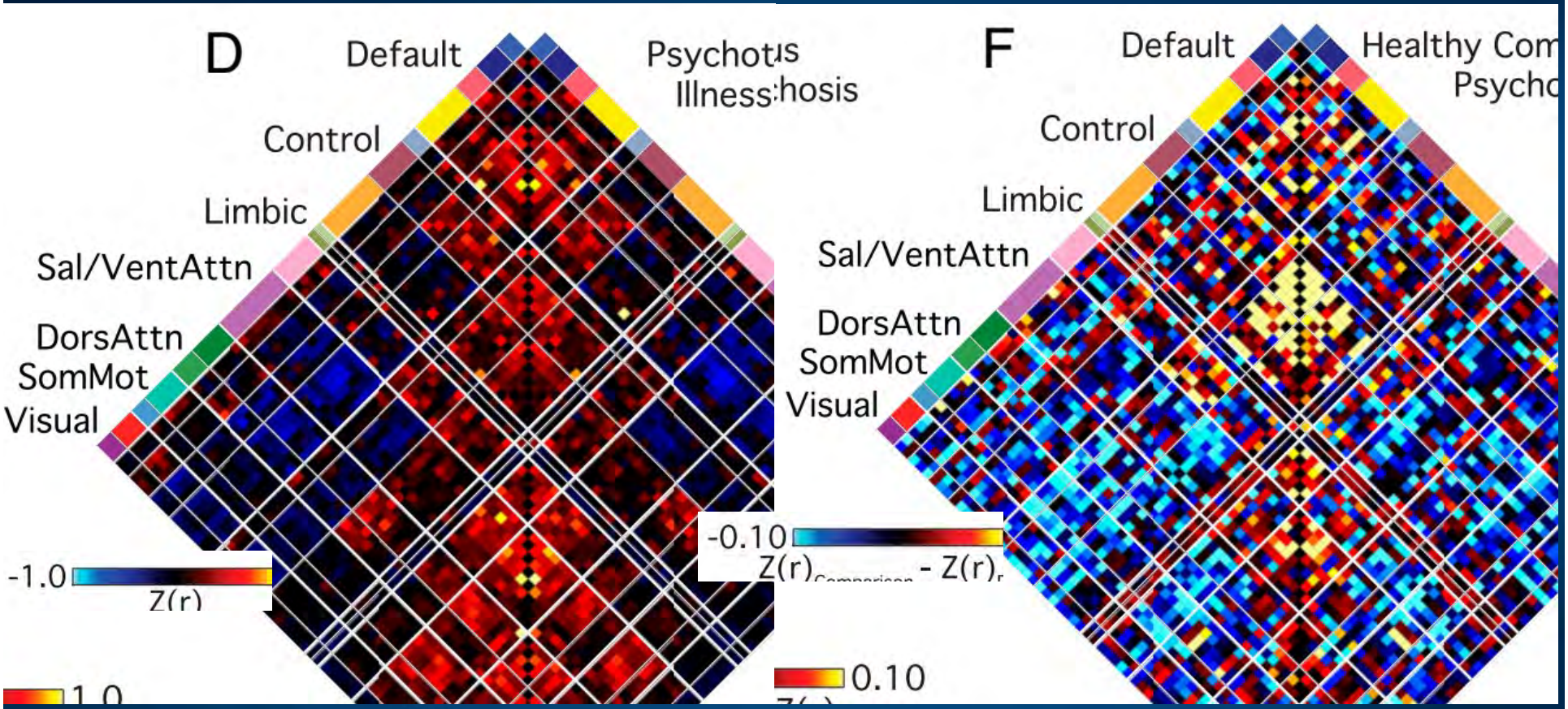
Clustering results for 1000 young adults.

18,715 spatial locations are characterized by functional coupling to the 1,175 ROI vertices (FreeSurfer).



17-network intrinsic functional connectivity regions, from BTT Yeo et al. (2011).
Colors = same network regions, similar correlation profiles.

Connectivity in patients vs healthy



Baker et al, Functional connectomics of affective and psychotic pathology. PNAS 116, 9050 (2019) Regions from the 17-network intrinsic functional connectivity solution by BTT Yeo et al. (2011)

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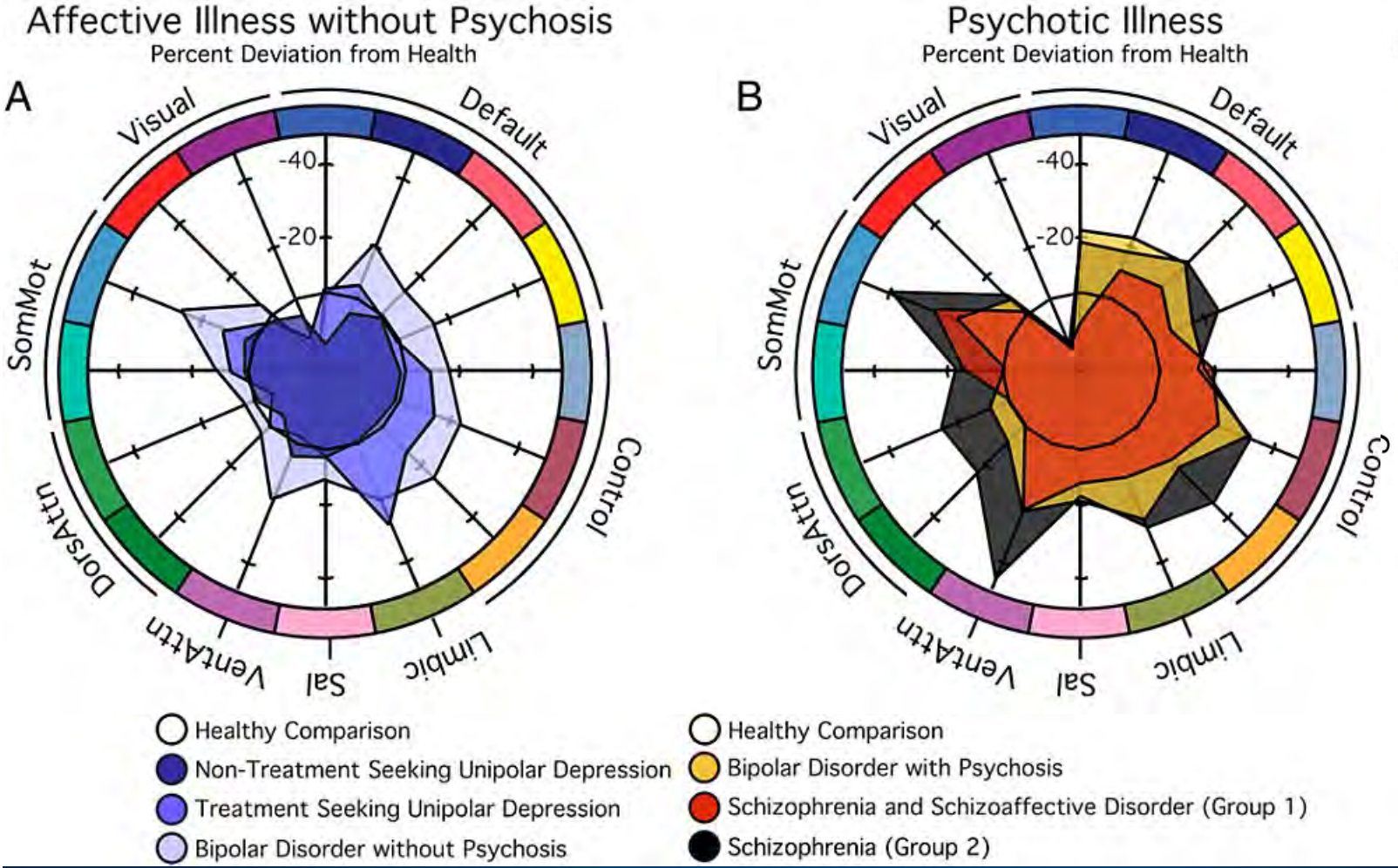
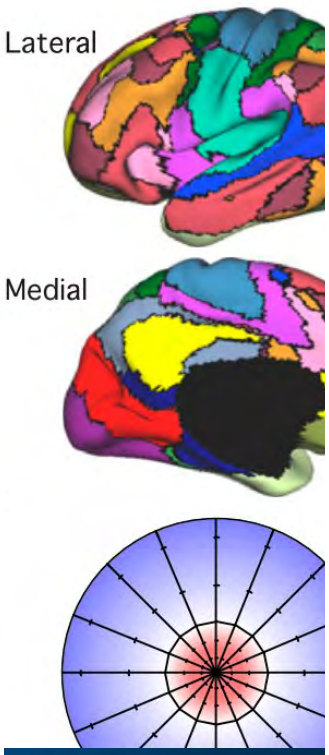
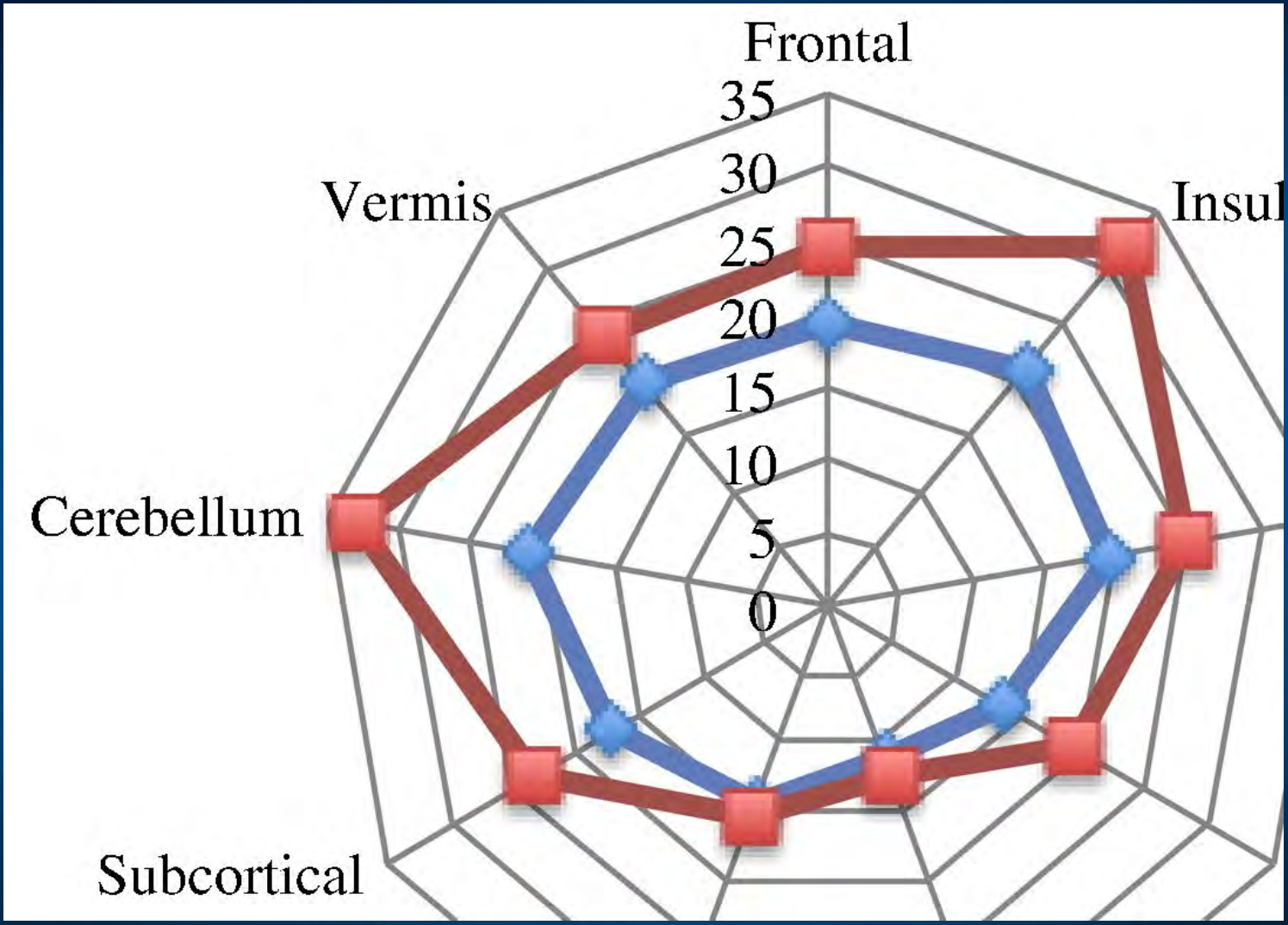




Regions determined based on the 17-network solution from Yeo et al.
Control (health) = circle, % deviation shown.

Negative connections in MCI patients



MCI, Mild cognitive Impairment. Red MCI, blue controls.
Significant differences in negatively correlated functional brain areas.
Deep Auto-Encoder (DAE) + HMM models, Suk et al. Neuroimage (2016)

Functional connections in controls

MCI patients (ADNI2), positive and negative functional connections in one of the 5 states of the Deep Auto-Encoder (DAE) + HMM models derived from the rs-fMRI time series.

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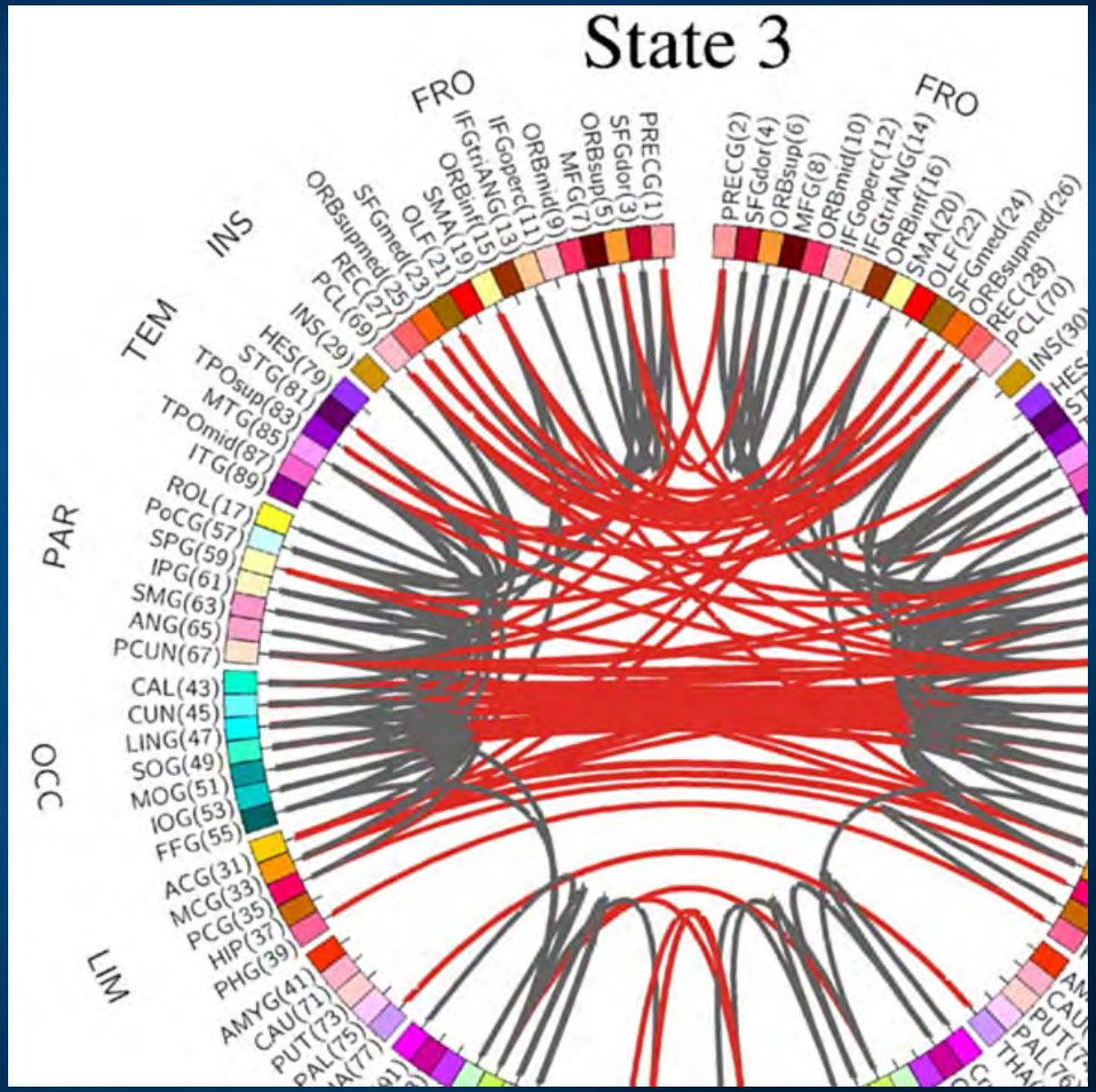

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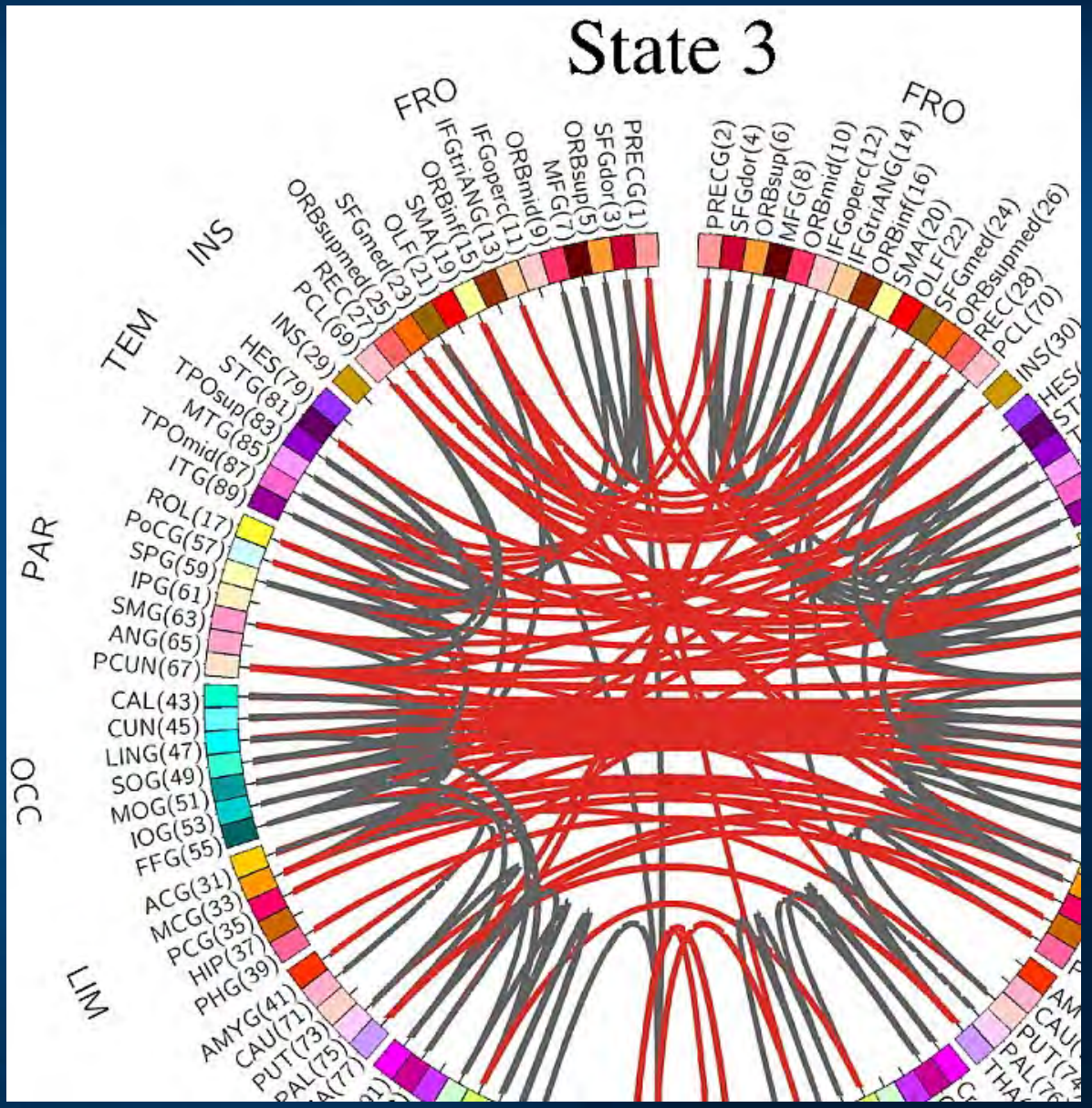
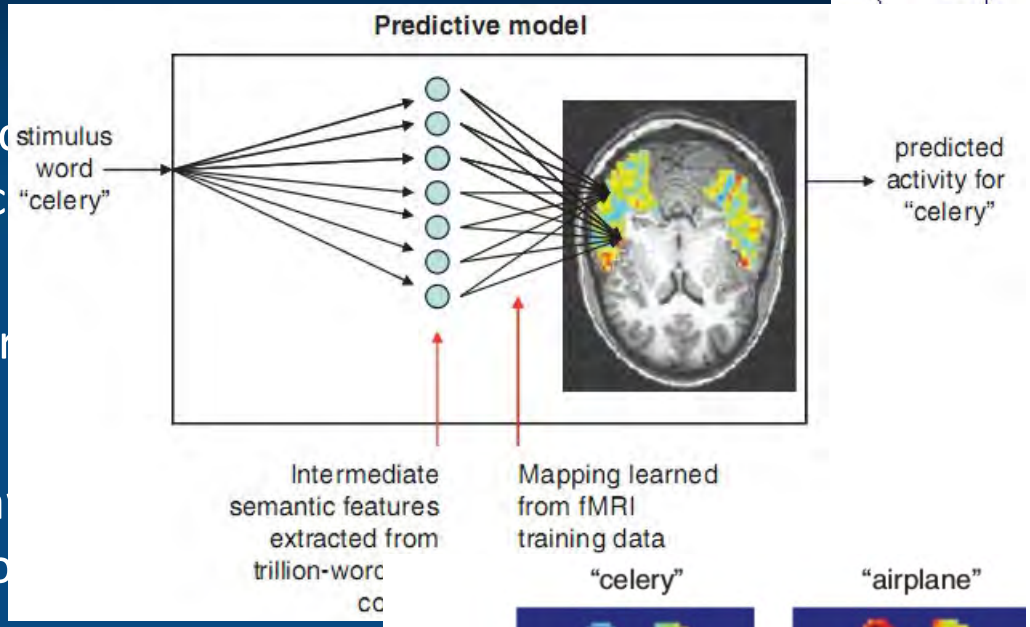


Decoding mental states

Neuroimaging words

Predicting Human Brain Activity Assoc
of Nouns," T. M. Mitchell et al, Scienc



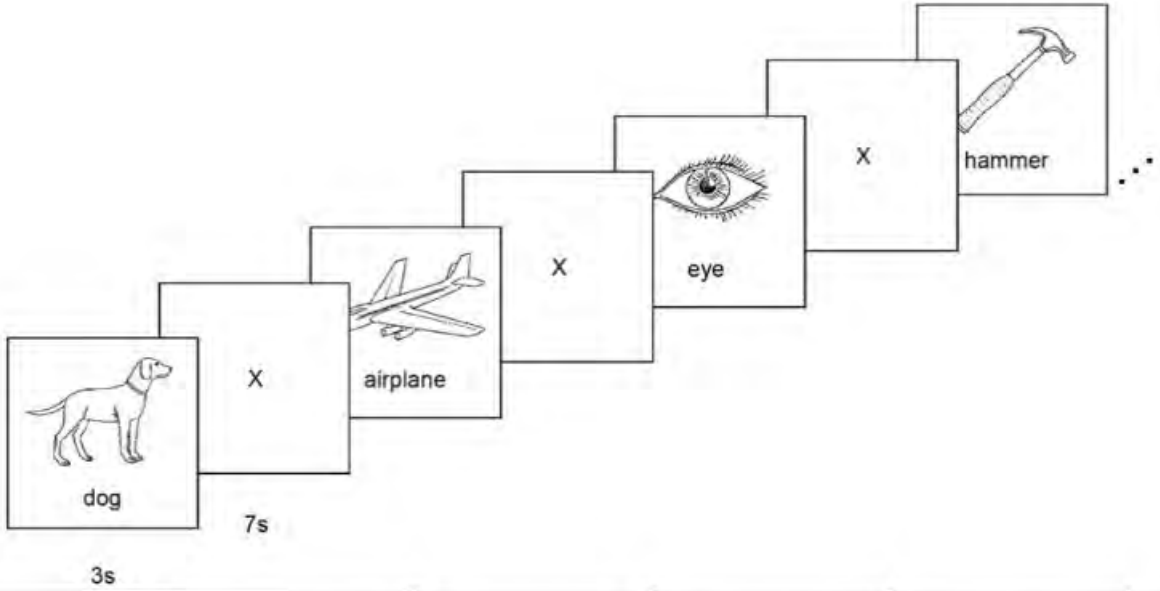
- Clear differences between fMRI br
about different nouns.
- Reading words and seeing the dra
presumably reflecting semantics o
- Although individual variance is significant similar ac
of different people, a classifier may still be trained
- Model trained on ~10 fMRI scans + very large corpu
activity for over 100 nouns for which fMRI has been

Sensory: fear, hear, listen, see, smell, taste, touch
Motor: eat, lift, manipulate, move, push, rub, run, say
Abstract: approach, break, clean, drive, enter, fill, near,

Are these 25 features defining brain-based semantics?

Quasi-stable brain activations?

Maintain brain activation **for longer time**. Use pictures, video, sounds …

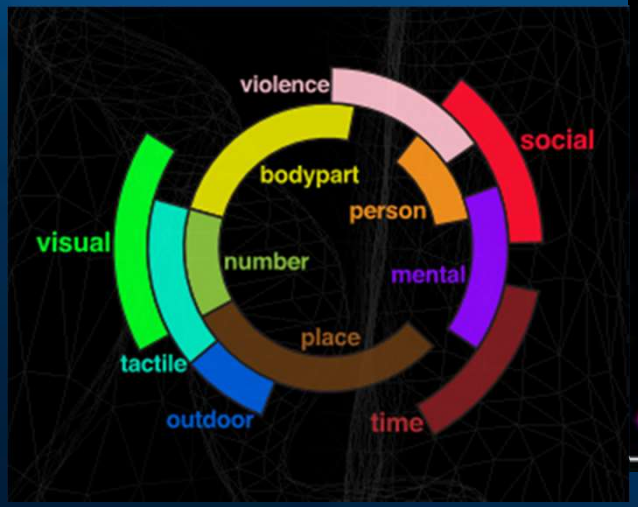


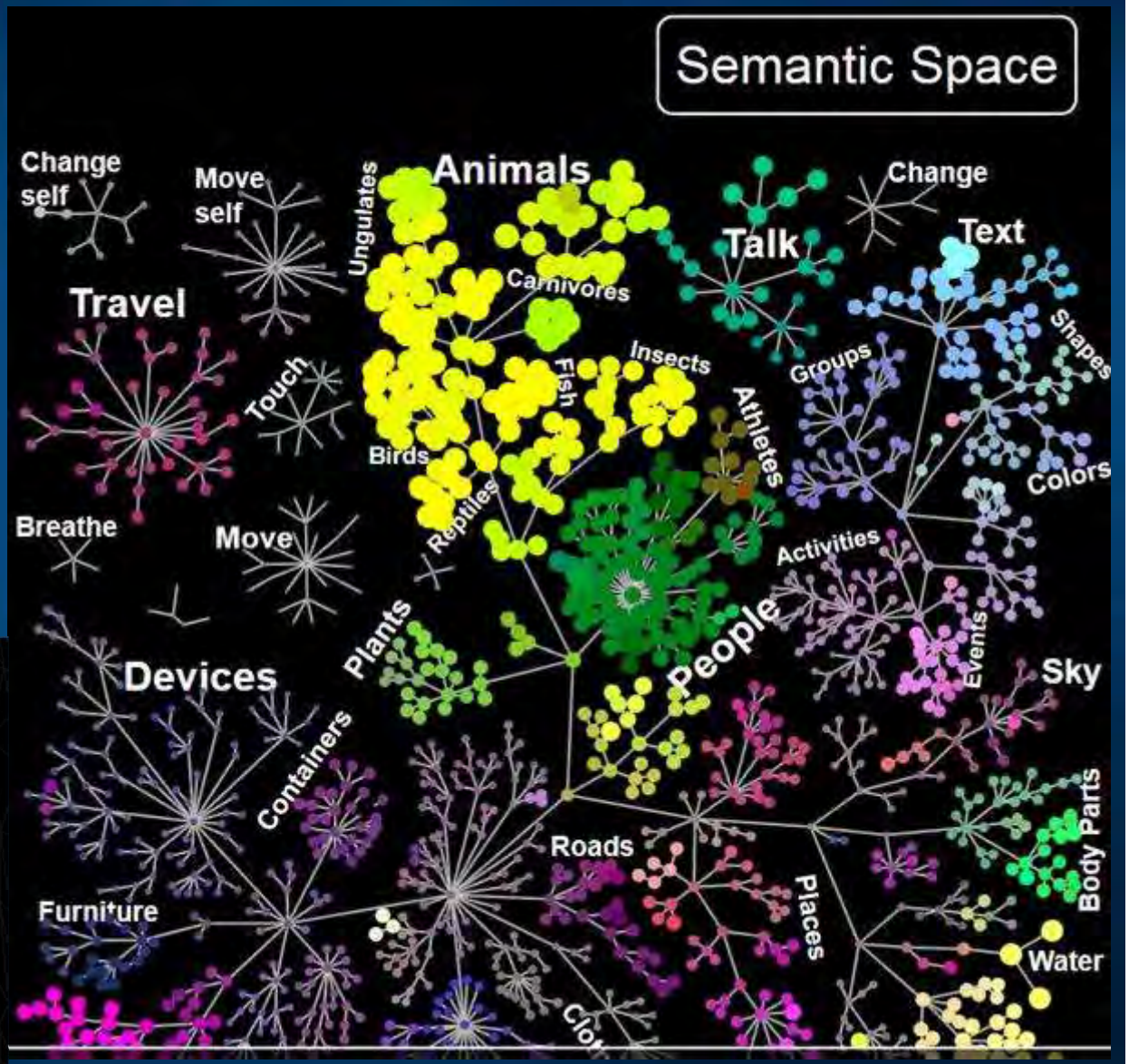
Category	Exemplar 1	Exemplar 2	Exemplar 3	Exemplar 4	Exemplar 5
animals	bear	cat	cow	dog	horse
body parts	arm	eye	foot	hand	leg
buildings	apartment	barn	church	house	igloo

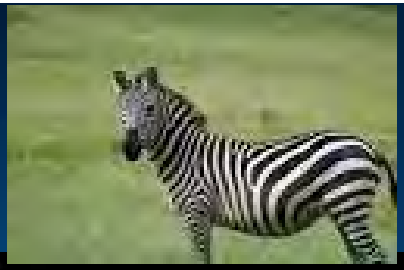
Can we induce stable cortical activation? Locate sources in similar areas as BOLD? Interpret brain activations in terms of brain-based semantics?

Semantic neuronal space

Words in the semantic space are grouped by their similarity.
Words activate specific ROIs, similar words create similar maps of brain activity.
Video or audio stimuli, fMRI 60.000 voxel).
Gallant lab, Berkeley.







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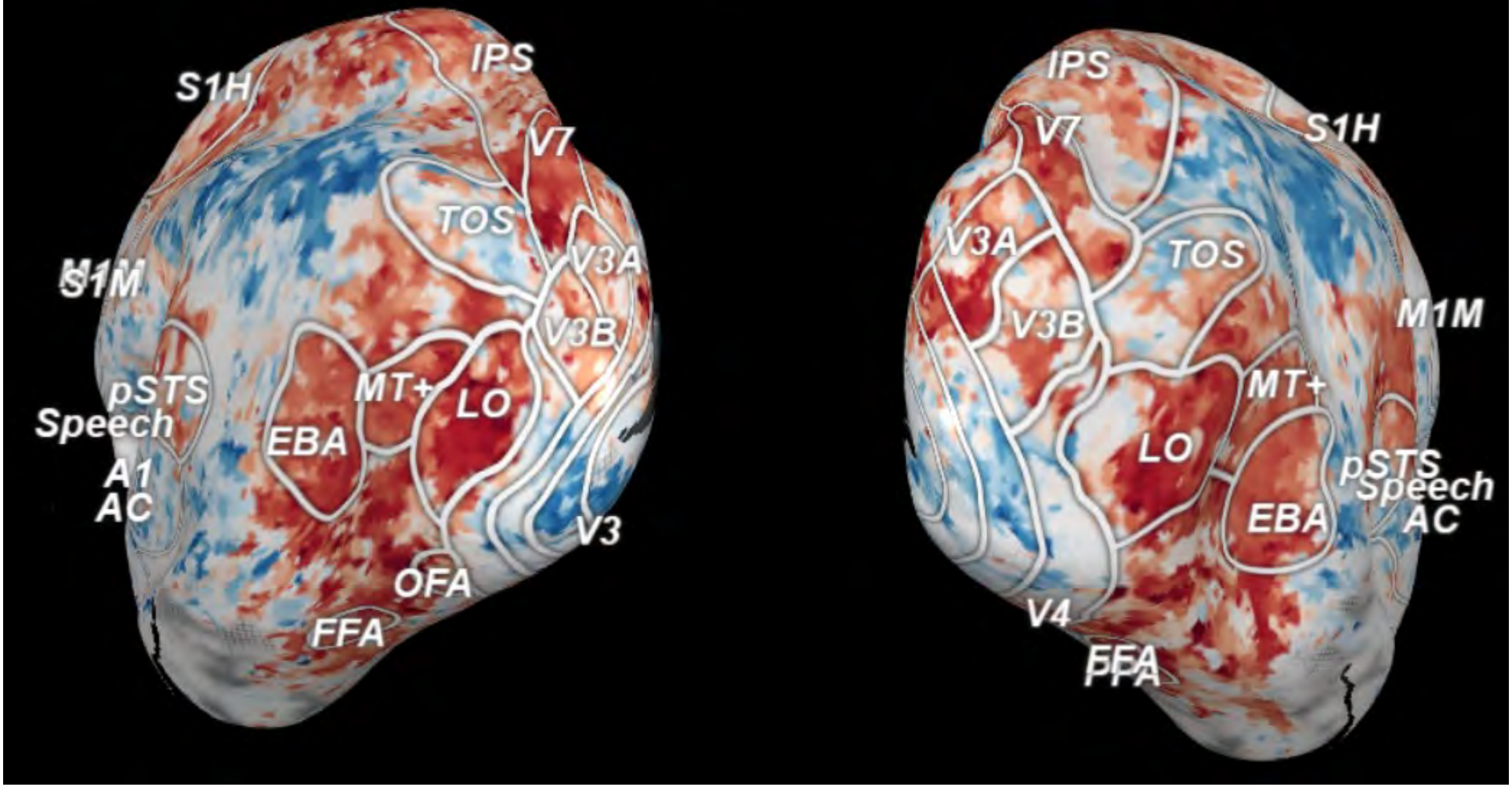

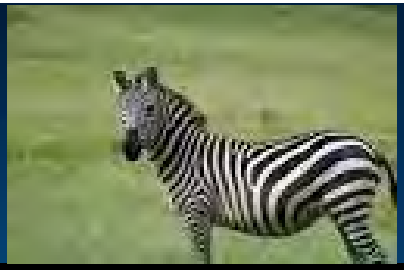

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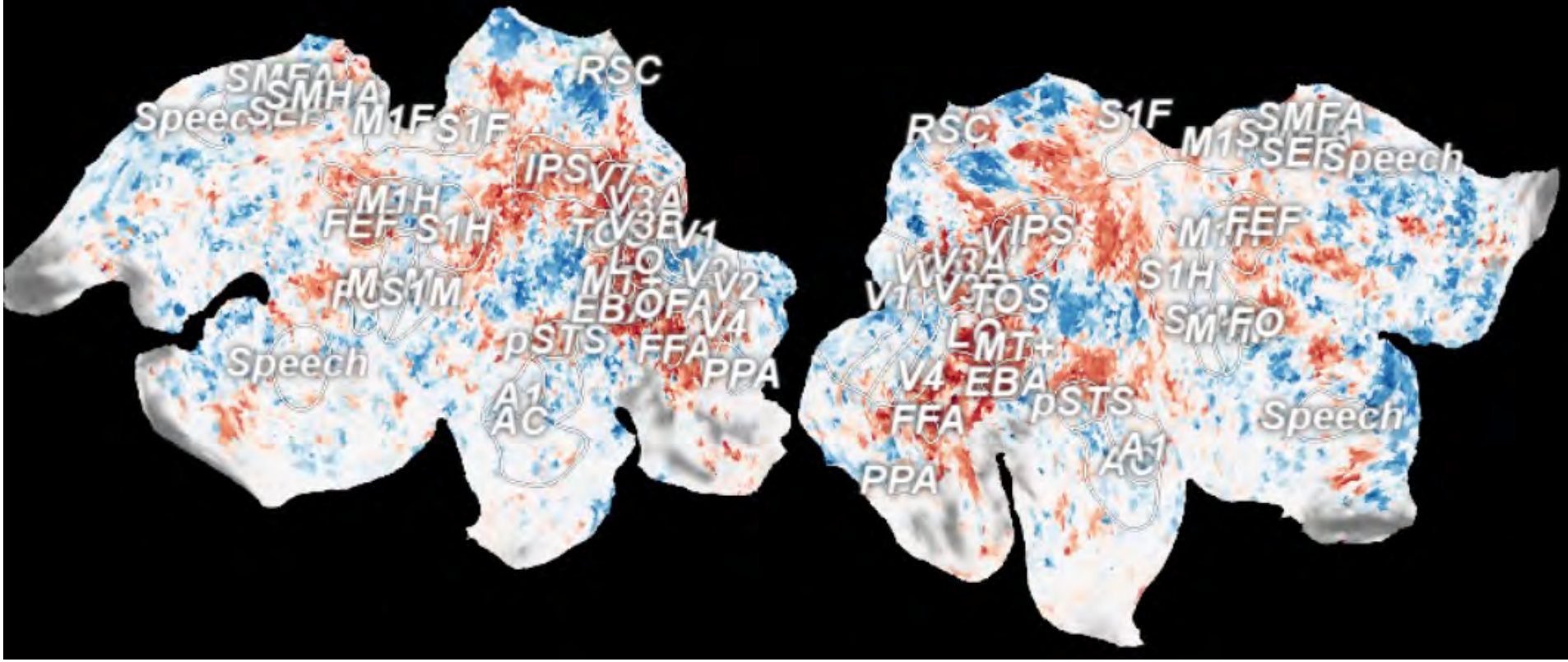

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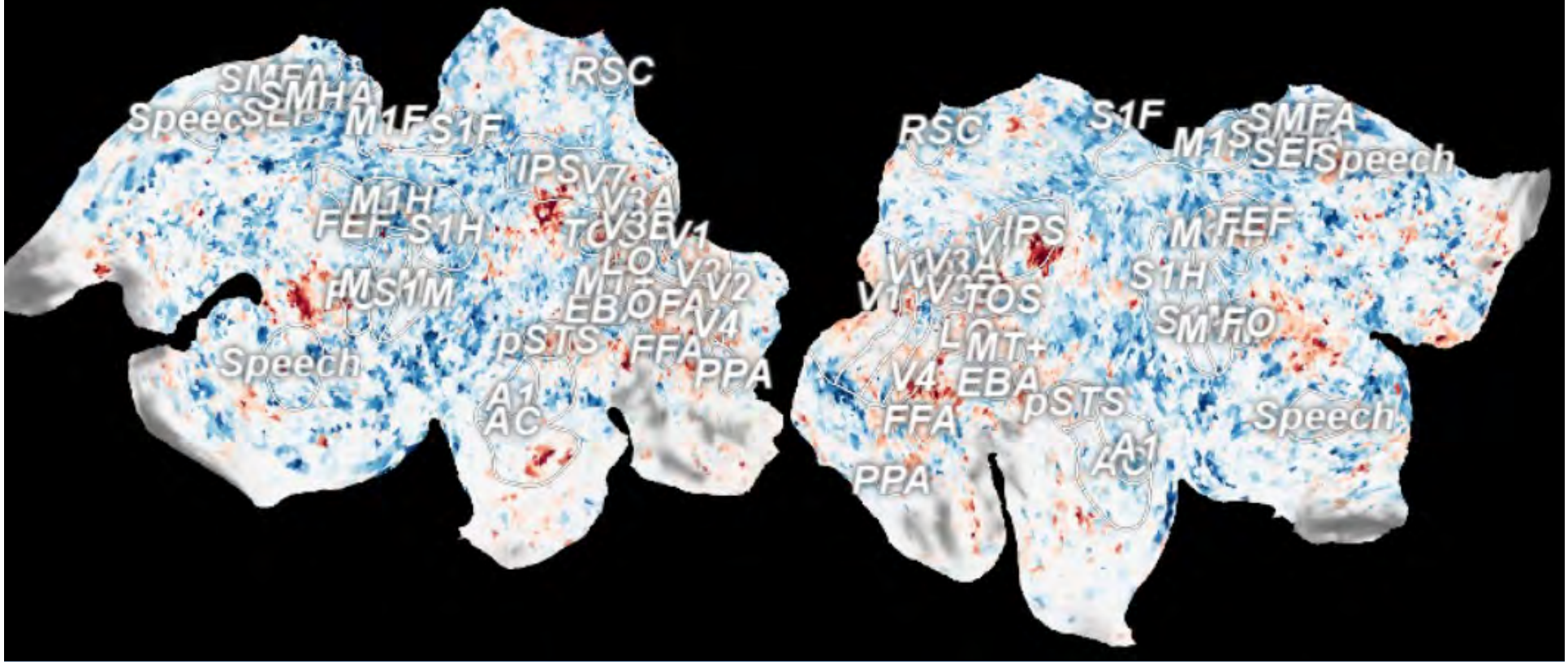
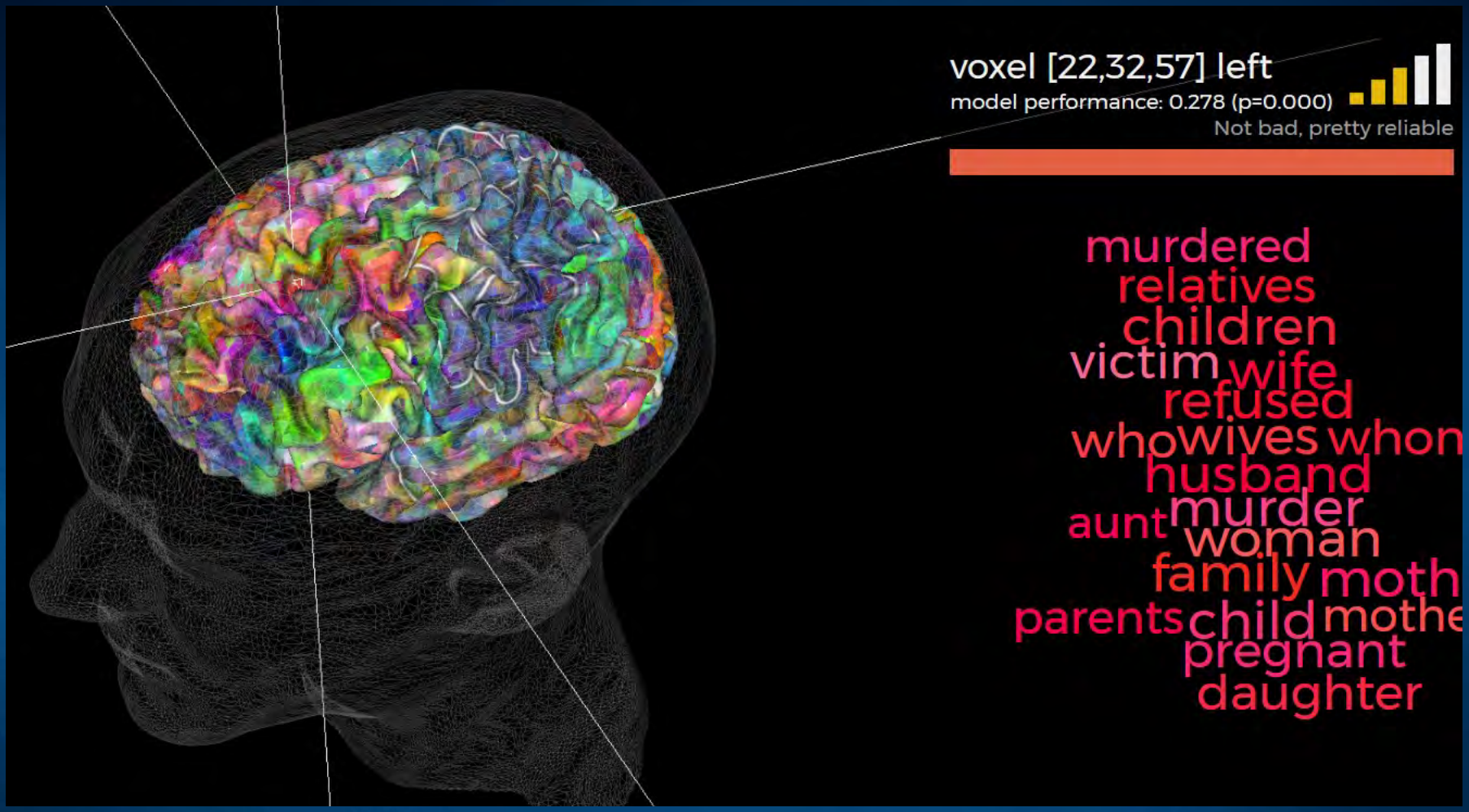




Each voxel responds usually to many related words, whole categories.

http://gallantlab.org/huth2016/

Huth et al. (2016). Decoding the Semantic Content of Natural Movies from Human Brain Activity. Frontiers in Systems Neuroscience 10, pp. 81

65 attributes related to neural processes;

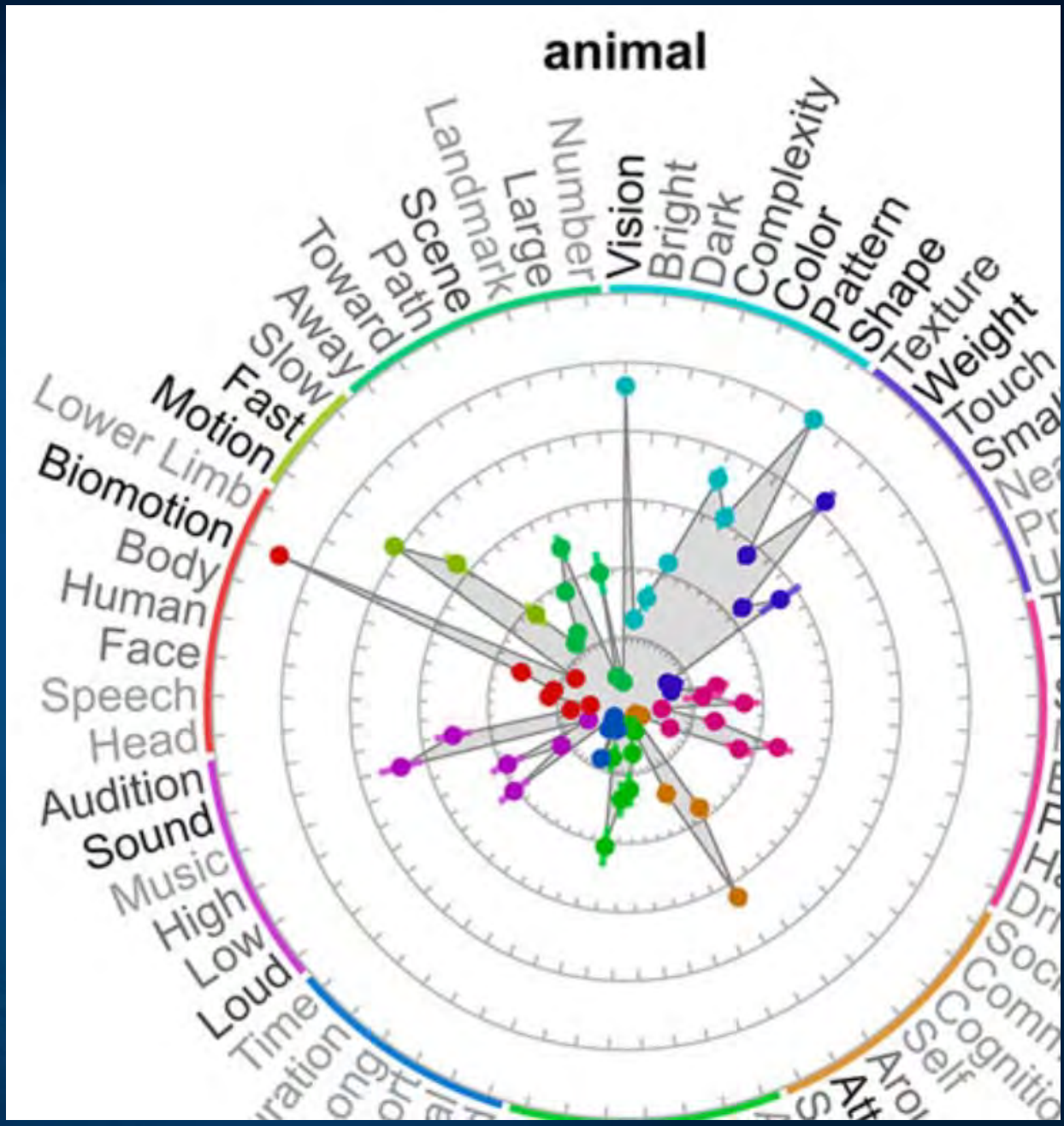
Colors on circle: general domains.

J.R. Binder et al

Toward a Brain-Based Componential Semantic Representation, 2016

More than just visual objects!

Decompose brain signals for a given concept into components coding these attributes.



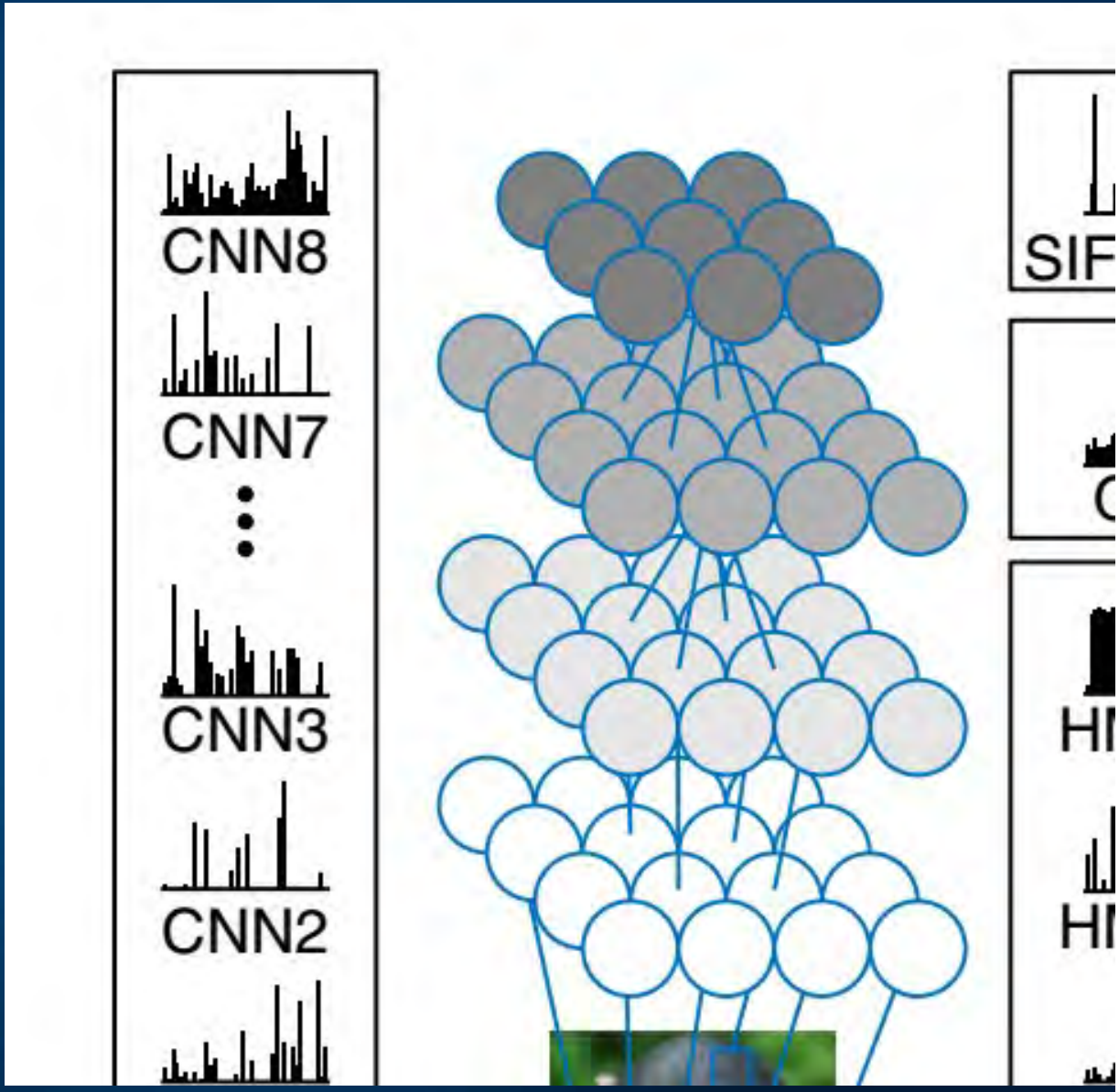
Mental images from brain activity

Can we convert activity of the brain into the mental images that we are conscious of?

Try to estimate features at different layers.

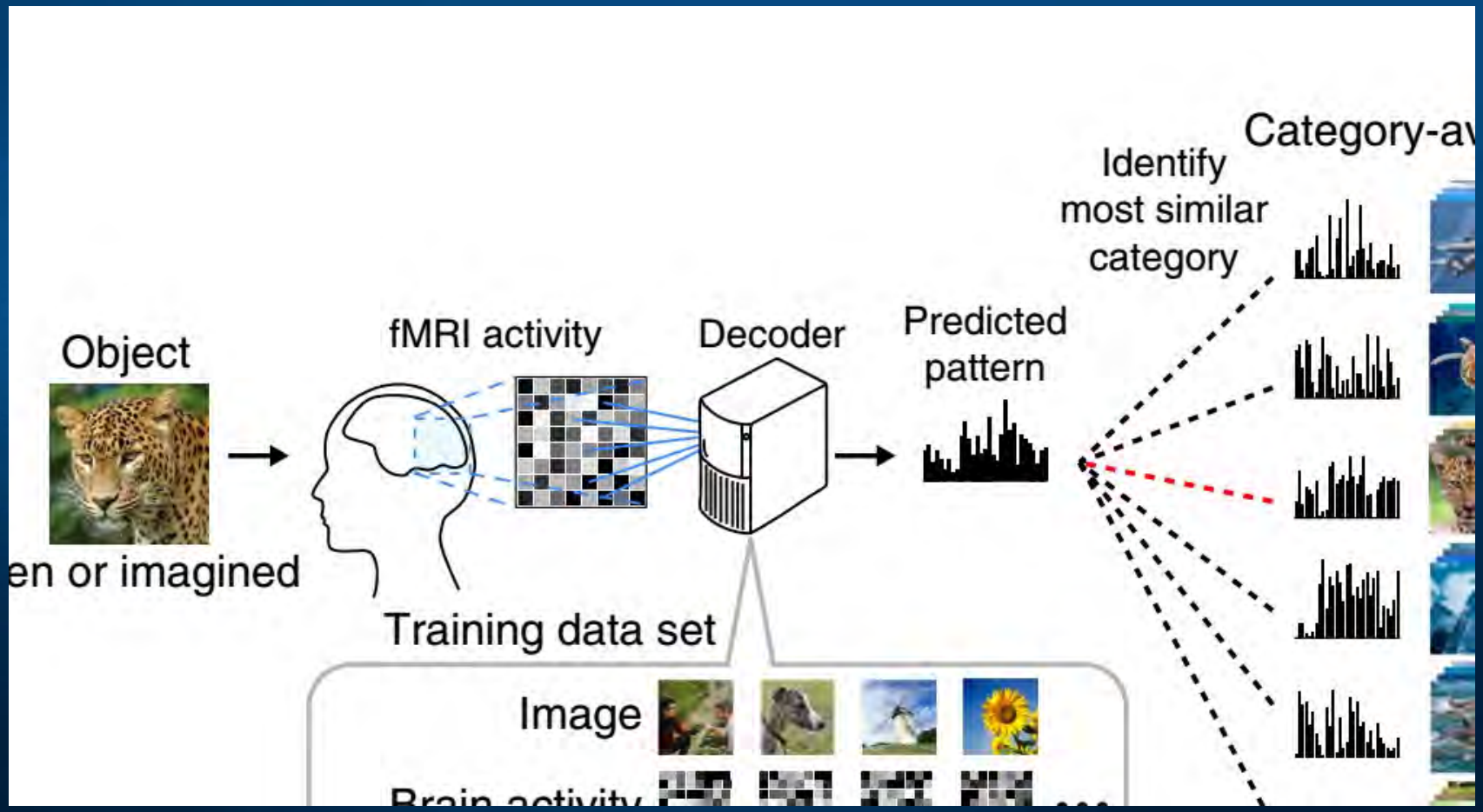
8-layer convolution network, ~60 mln parameters, feature vectors from randomly selected 1000 units in each layer to simplify calculations.

Output: 1000 images.



Brain activity ⇔ Mental image

fMRI activity can be correlated with deep CNN network features;
using these features closest image from large database is selected.
Horikawa, Kamitani, Generic decoding of seen and imagined objects using hierarchical visual features. Nature Comm. 2017.



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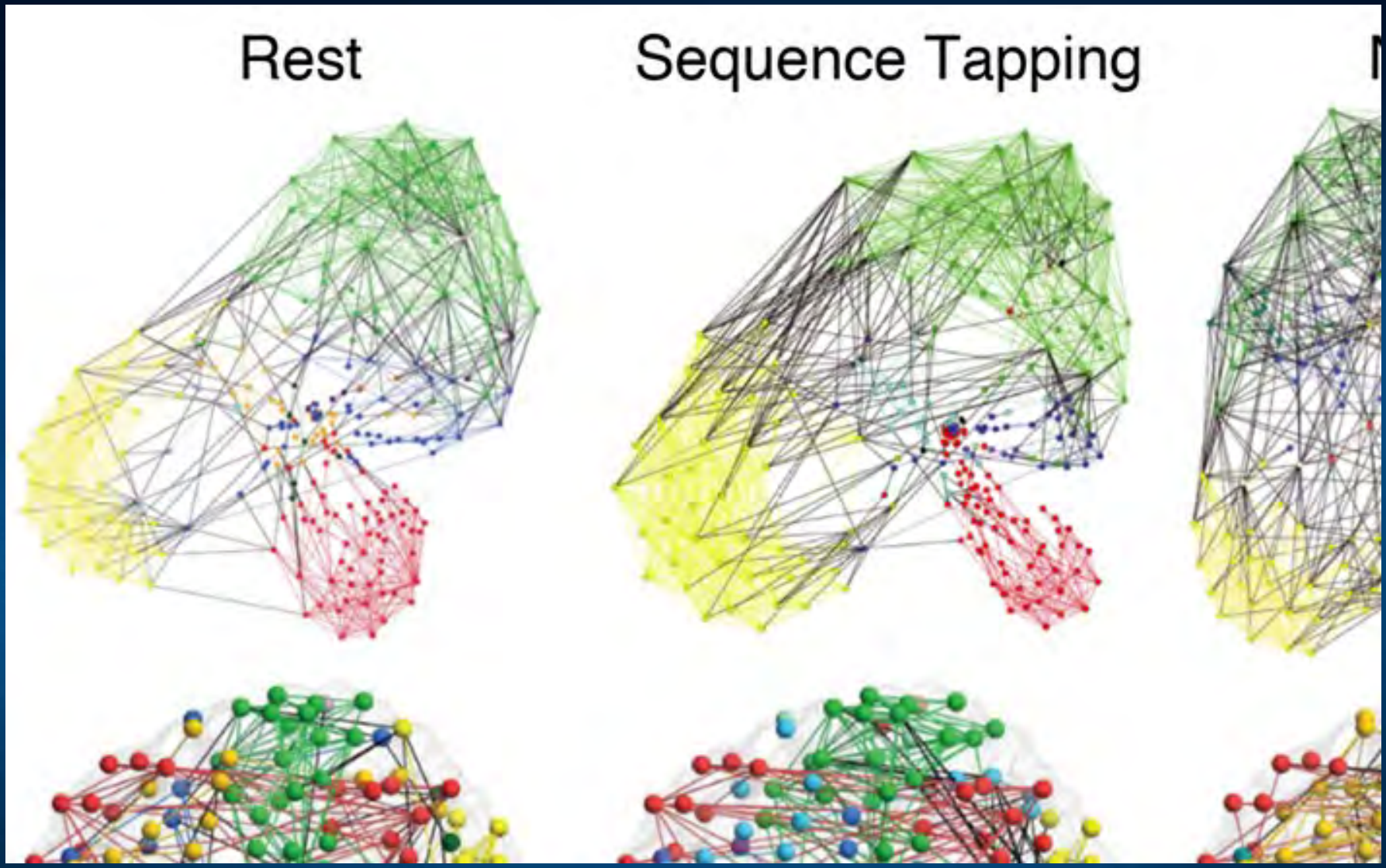

Color edges = within-module connections, black edges = between-module connections. Cohen and D'Esposito (2016). The segregation and integration of distinct brain networks and their relationship to cognition.
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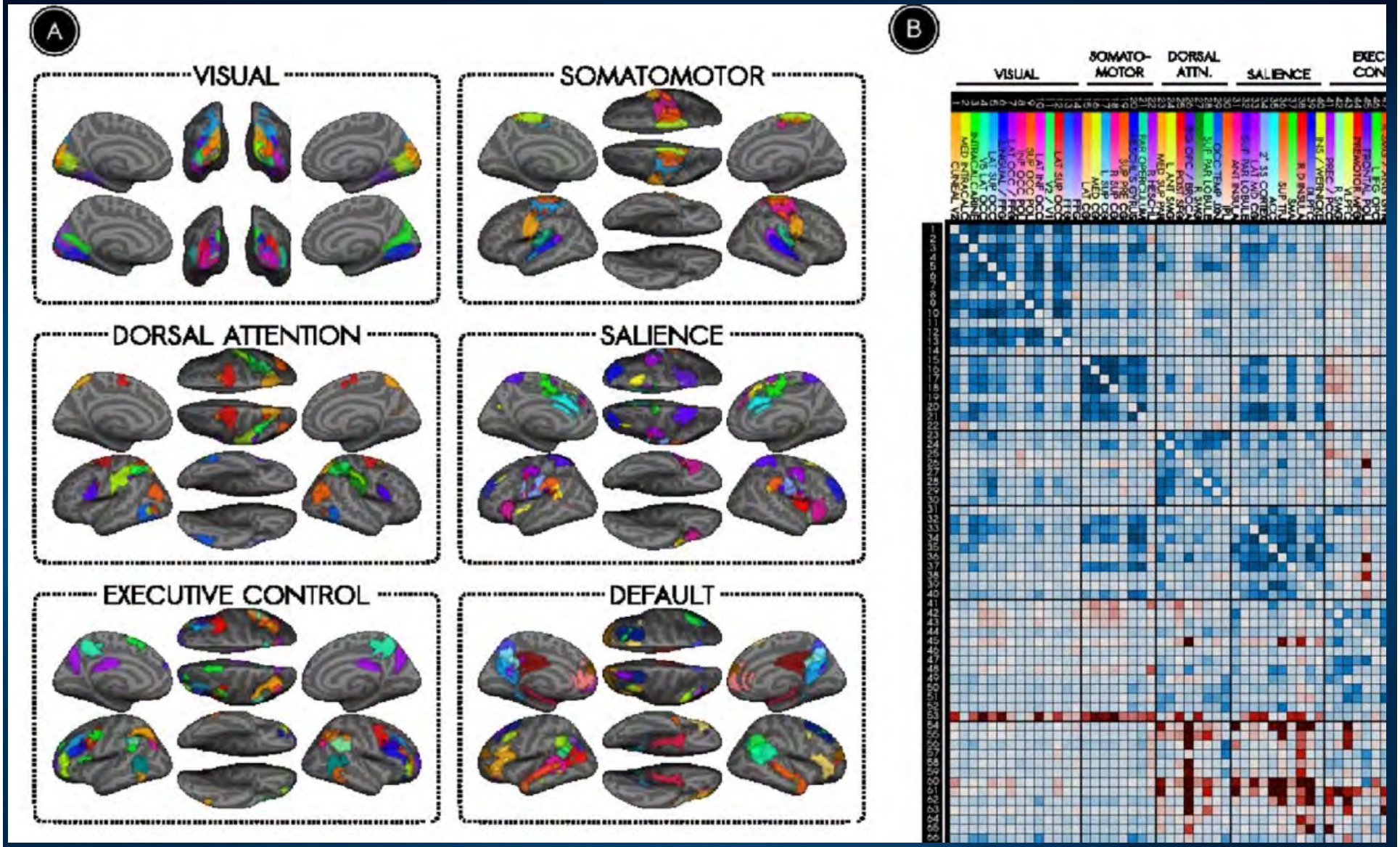

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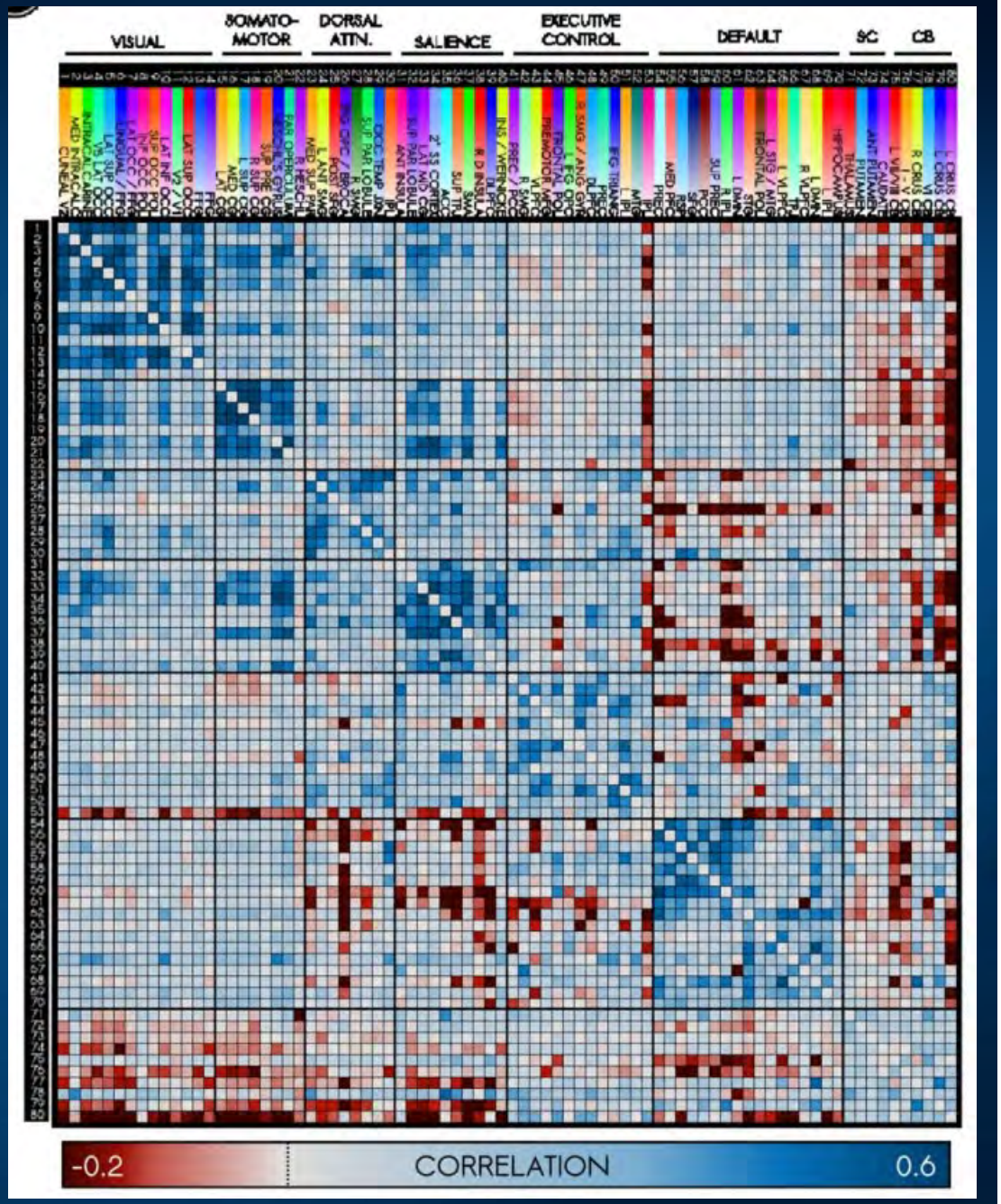
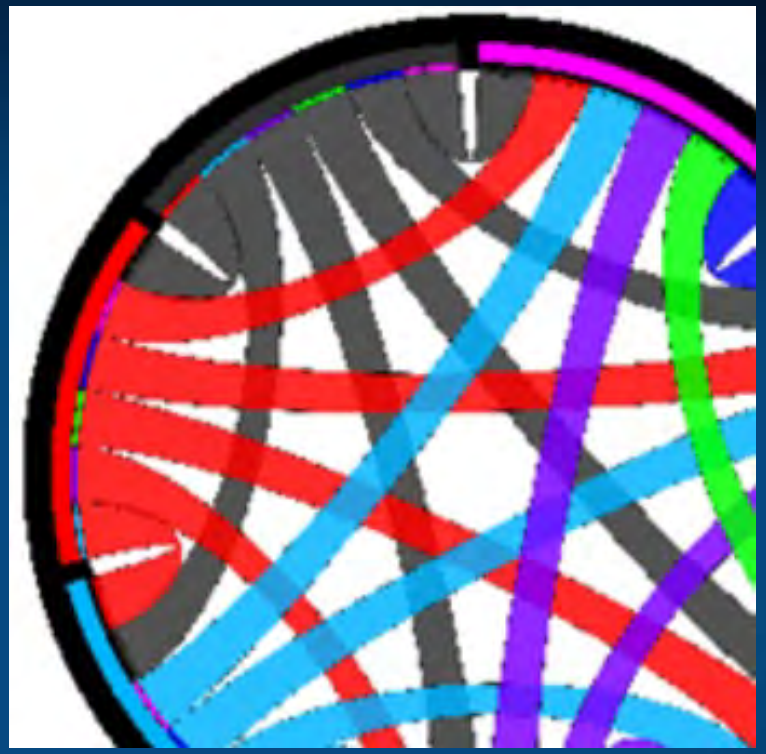
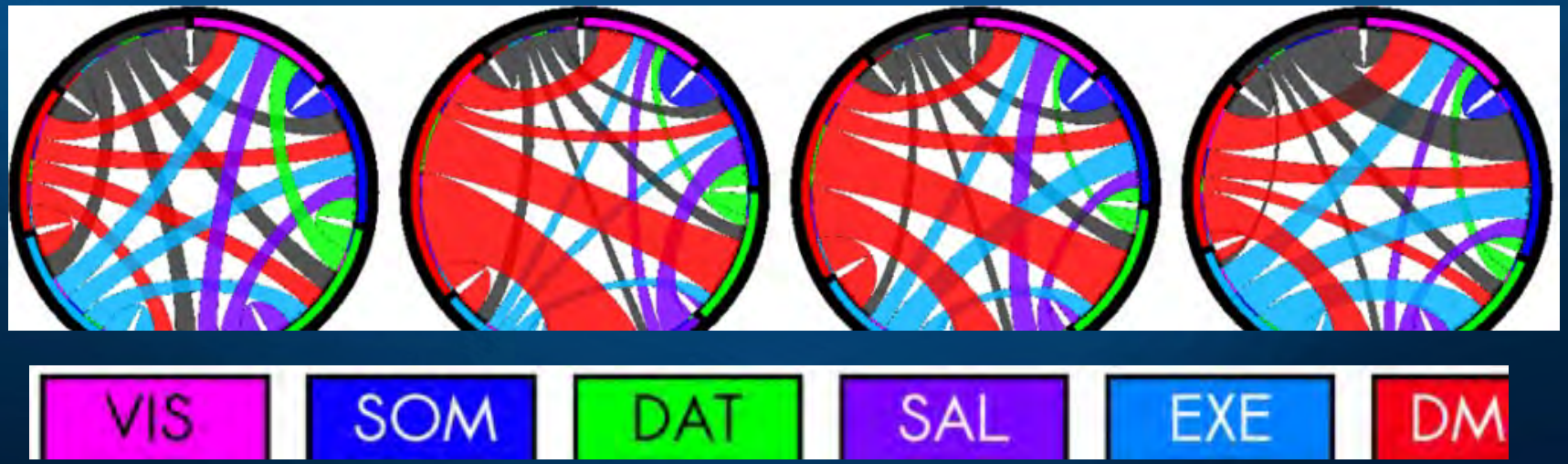
Correlations of 6 canonical networks, 80 node parcellation

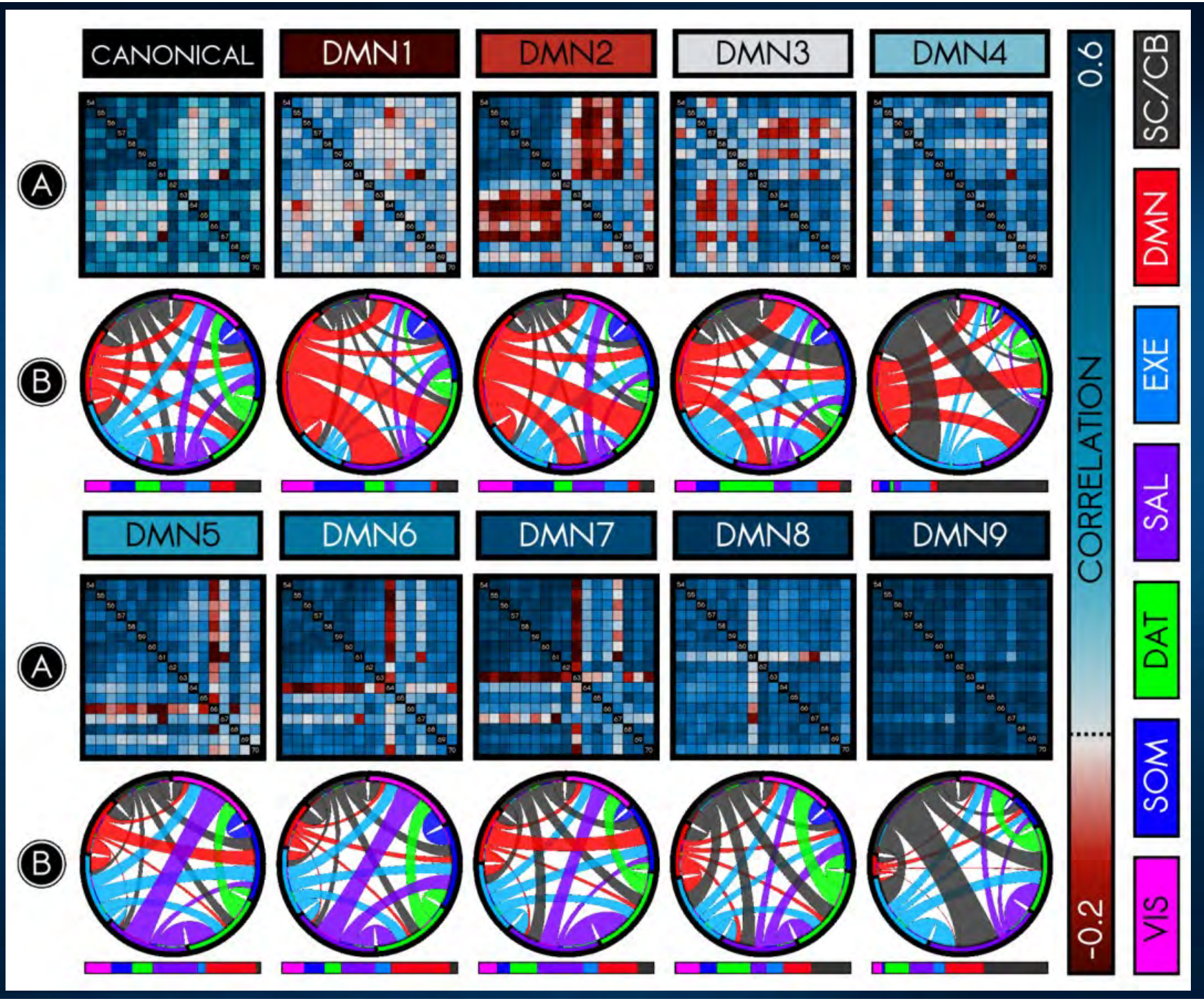
Each has up to 10 different **network connectivity states** (NC-states), rather stable for single subjects, ex.
DMN has usually 7-9.
NC identified from clusterization of patterns in 44.64 s tapered sliding window moved by 0.72 s over 14.4-minute scan.



DMN time-averaged baseline.
Between-network allegiances (prob. that nodes are in the same community). Rim colors = canonical networks, rim length = greater allegiance to other networks, size of connections = strength of between-network allegiances.
DMN1: weak within-network allegiance strong to DAT, SAL, and VIS.



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B
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CORRELATION
-0.2
SC/CB
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EXE
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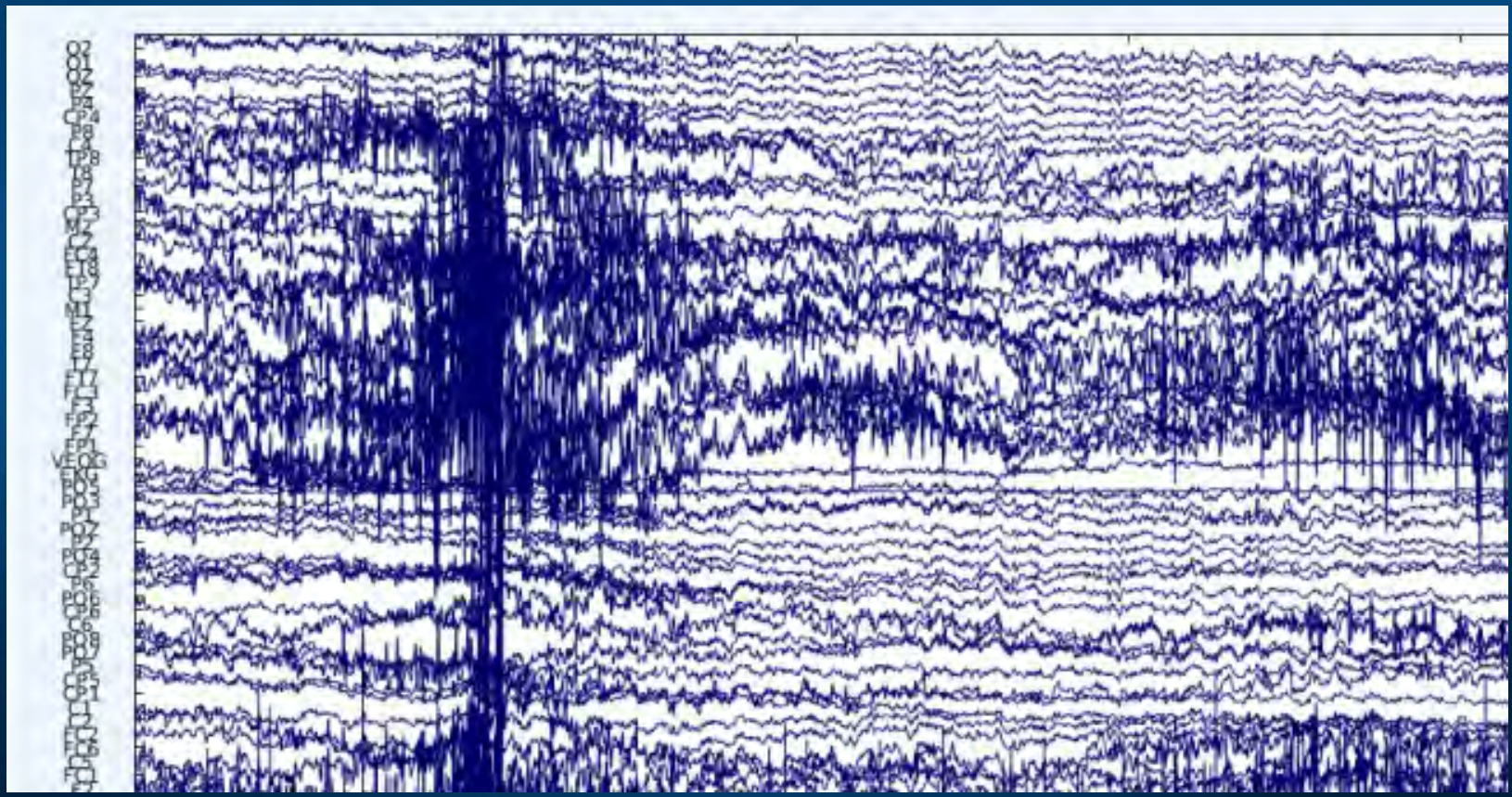
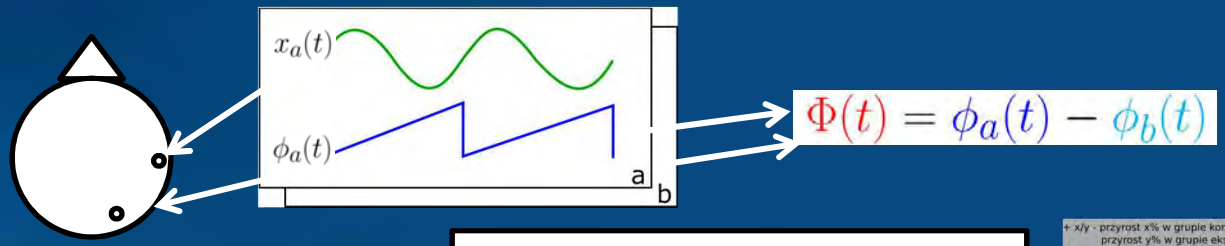
EEG

Removal of artefacts is only partially automatic, it involves a lot of manual work. Usually only a subset of electrodes is selected.



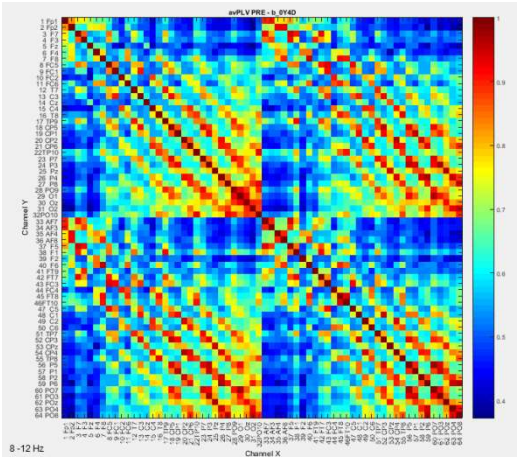
Functional connectivity changes

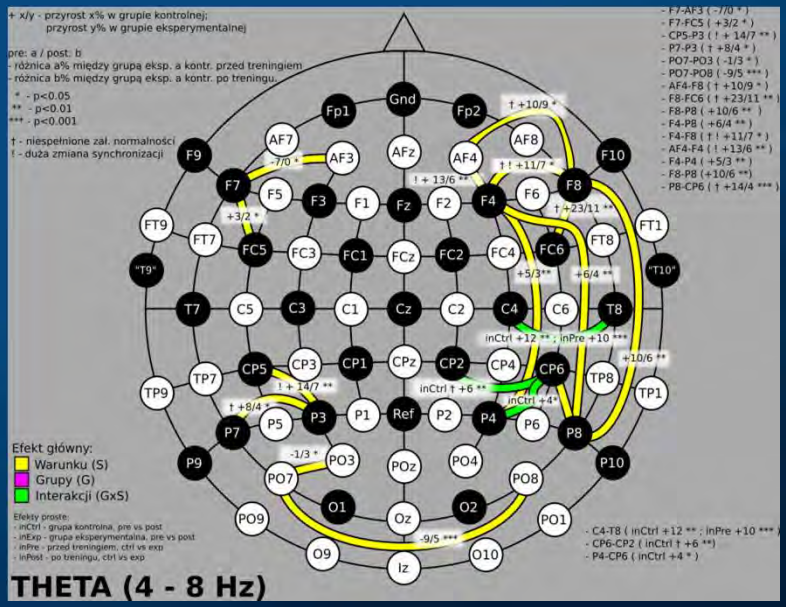
Influence of brain games on functional connectivity: **Phase Locking Value** (Burgess, 2013; Lachaux 1999), phase differences between signals measured at each electrode. PLV => synchronization maps, info flow.



$$PLV(a,b) = \frac{1}{T}\left|\sum_{t}^{T} e^{i\Phi(t)}\right|$$

PLV channel vs channel





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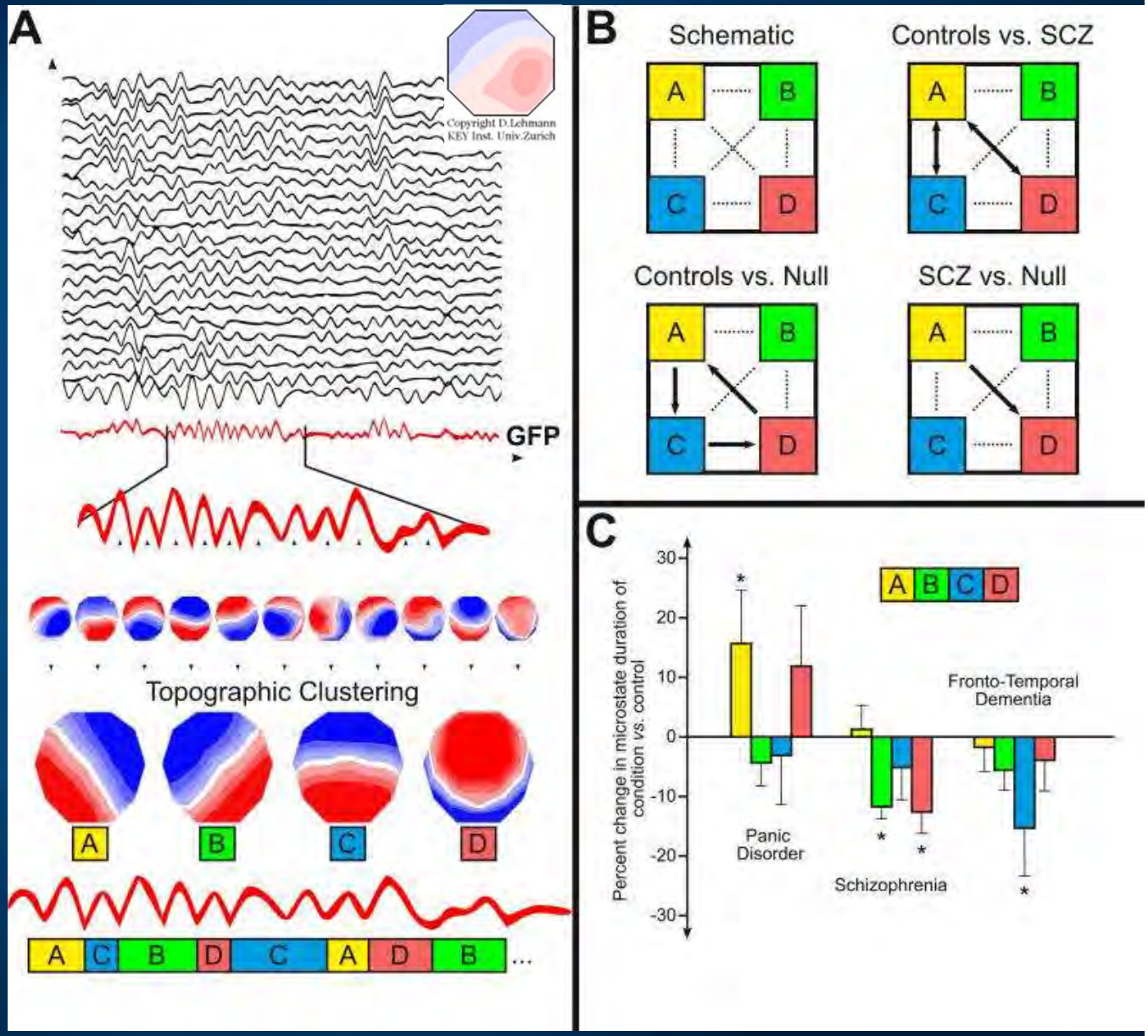
Symbolic dynamics.



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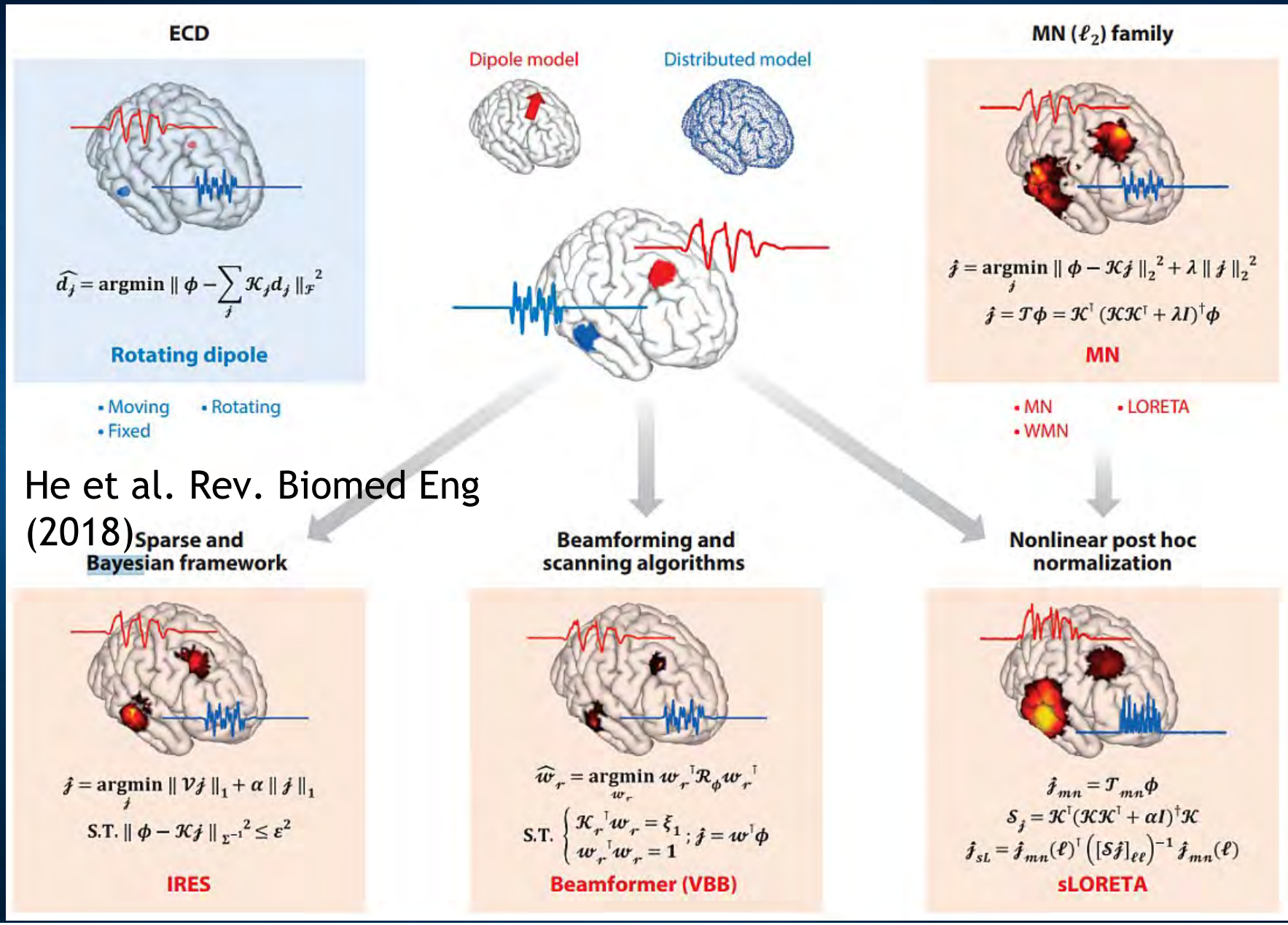

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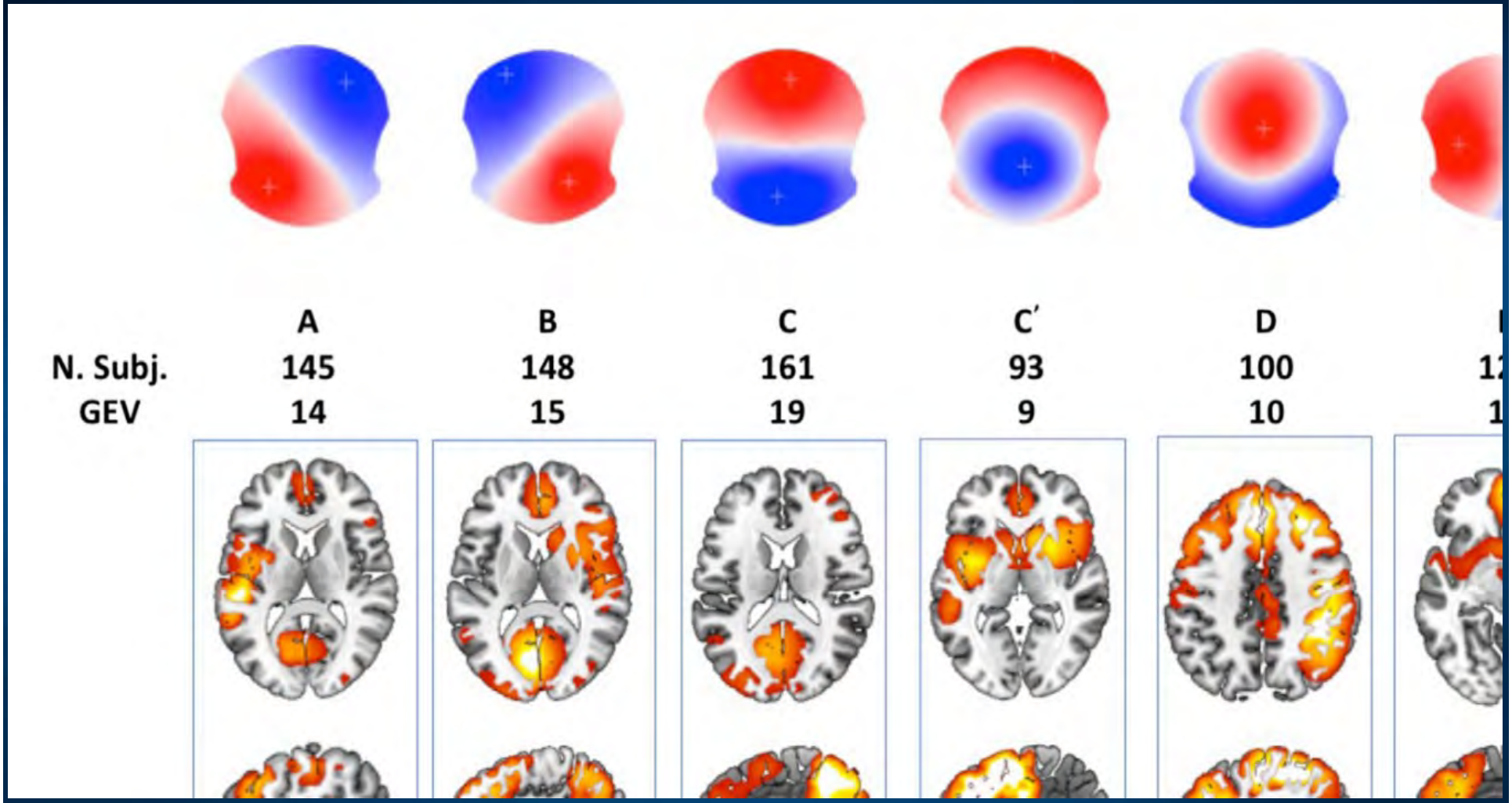

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Checkerboard reversal, 5 microstates

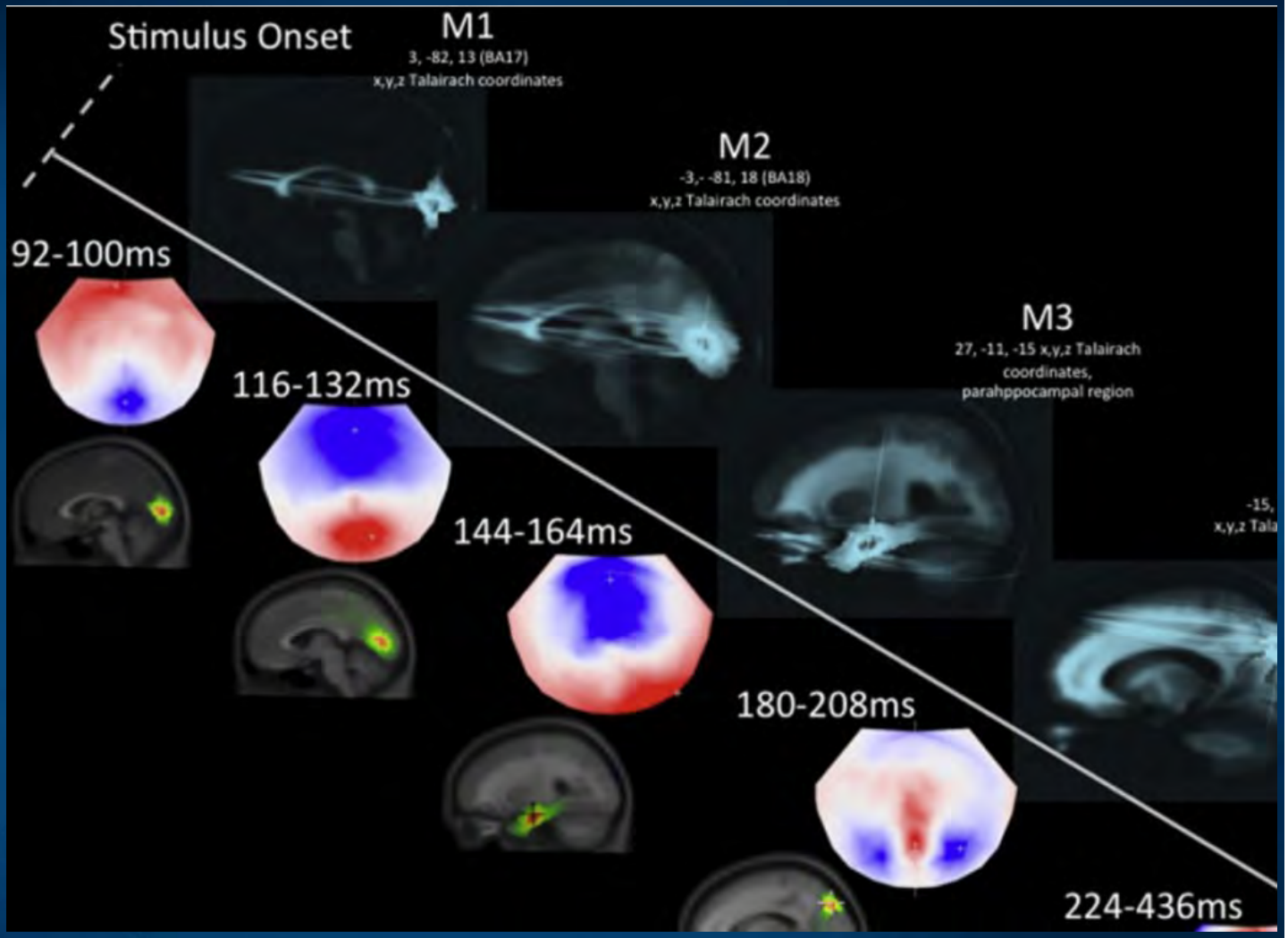
M1 => V1

M2 => V2

M3=>Para-hippocampal

M4=>BA7, left PC, precuneus

M5=>dACC



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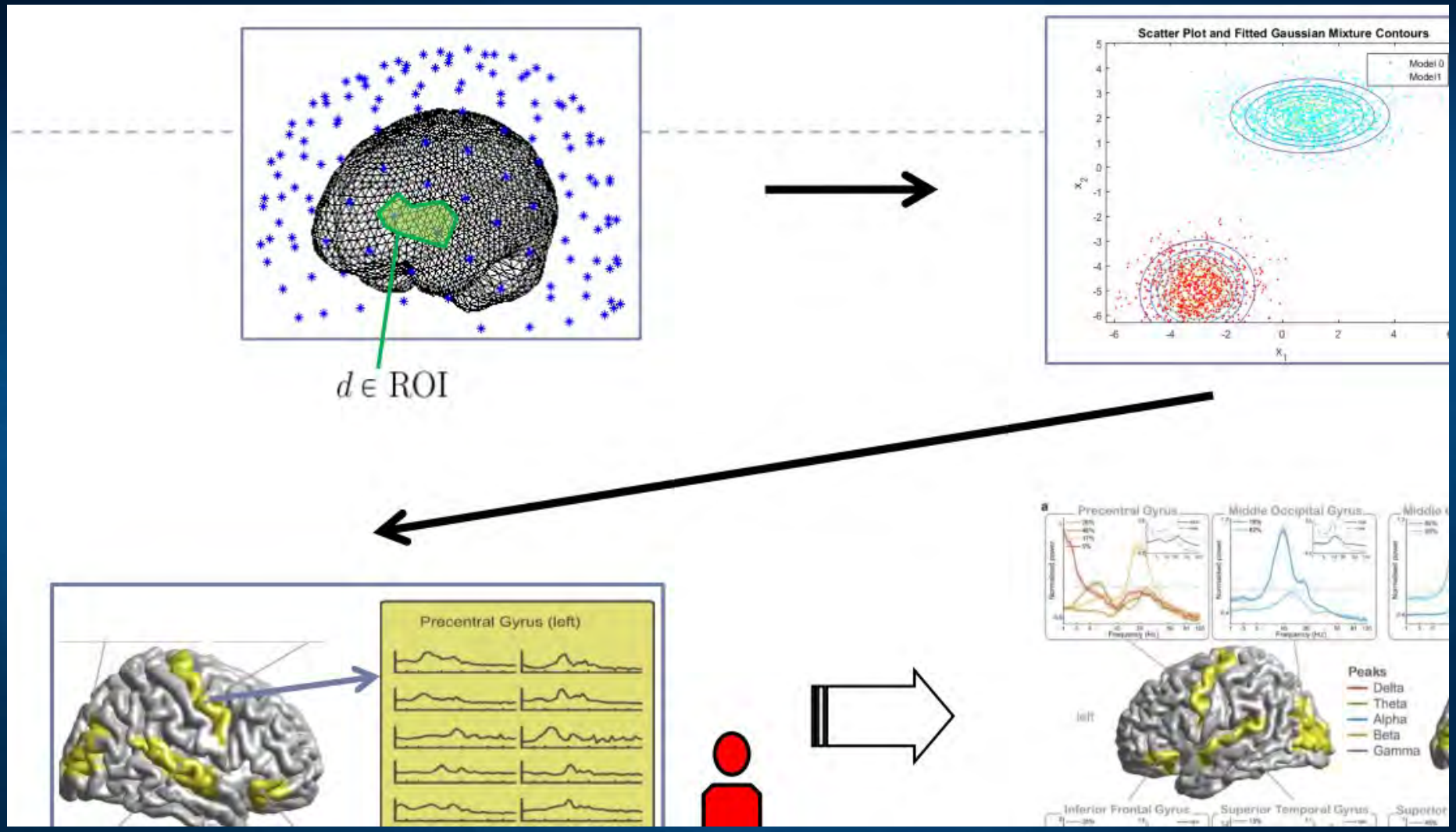

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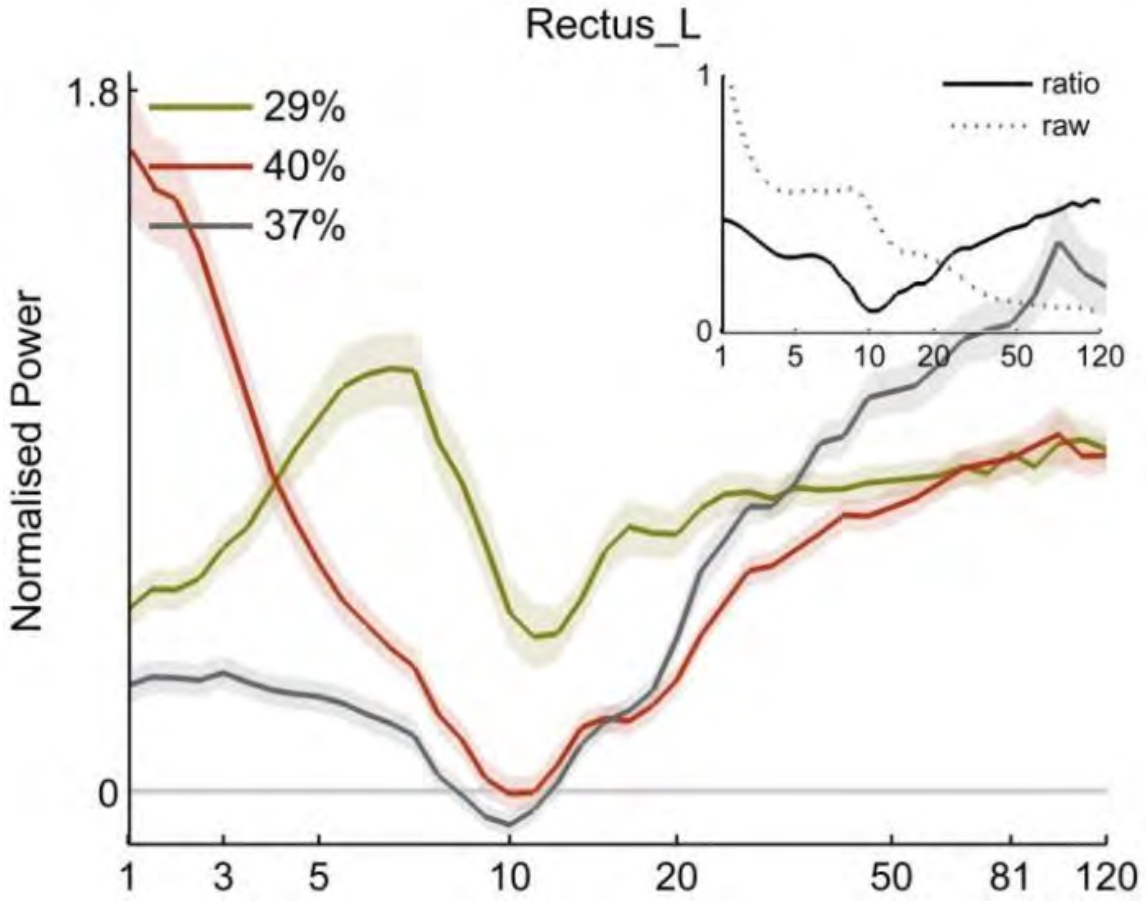

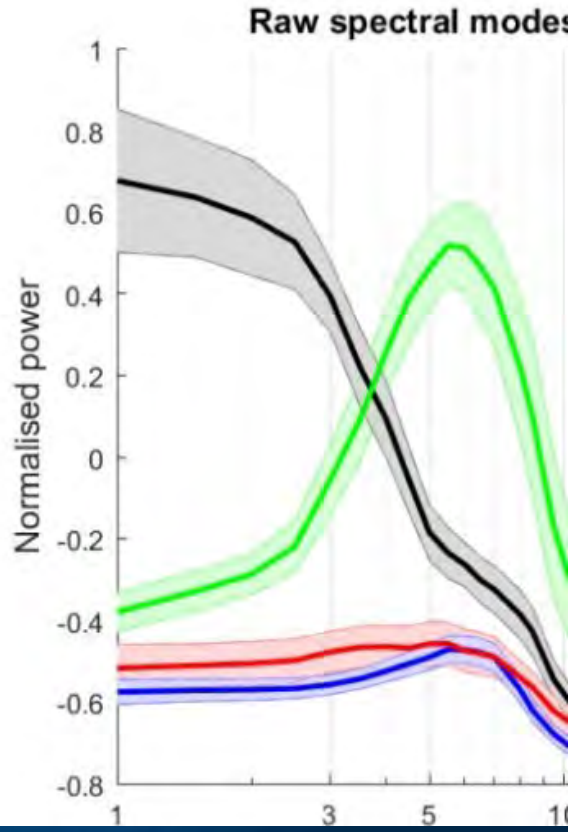

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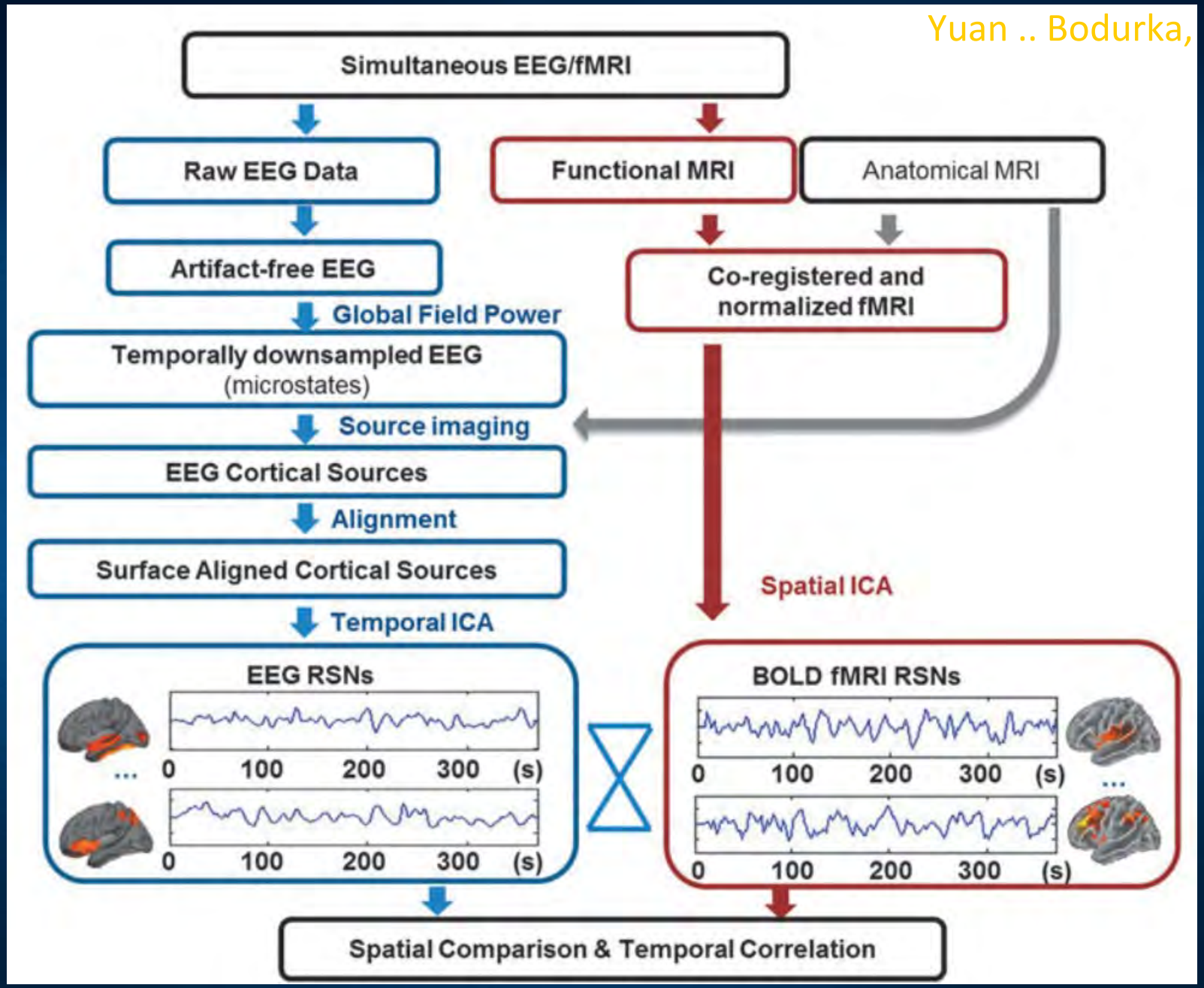
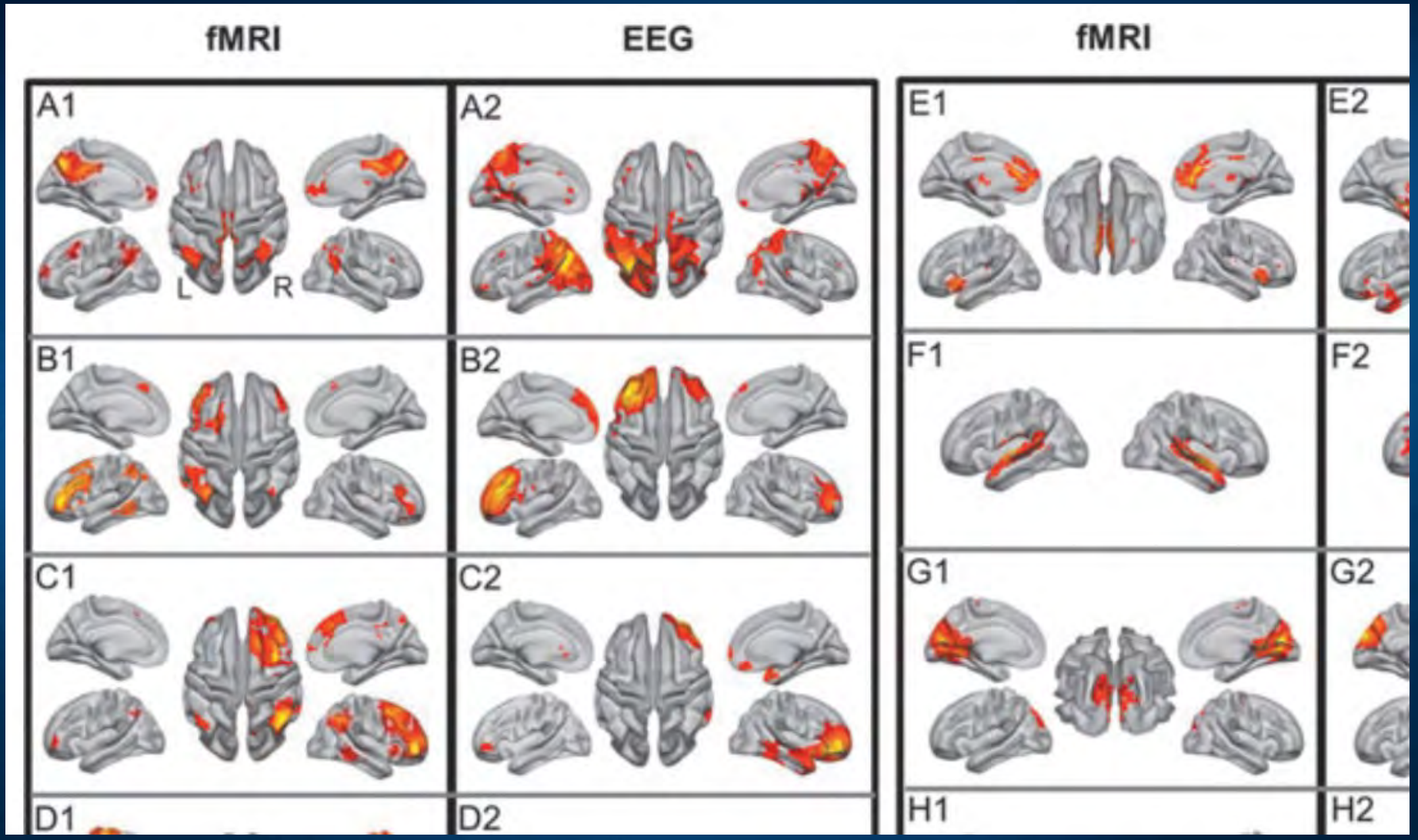
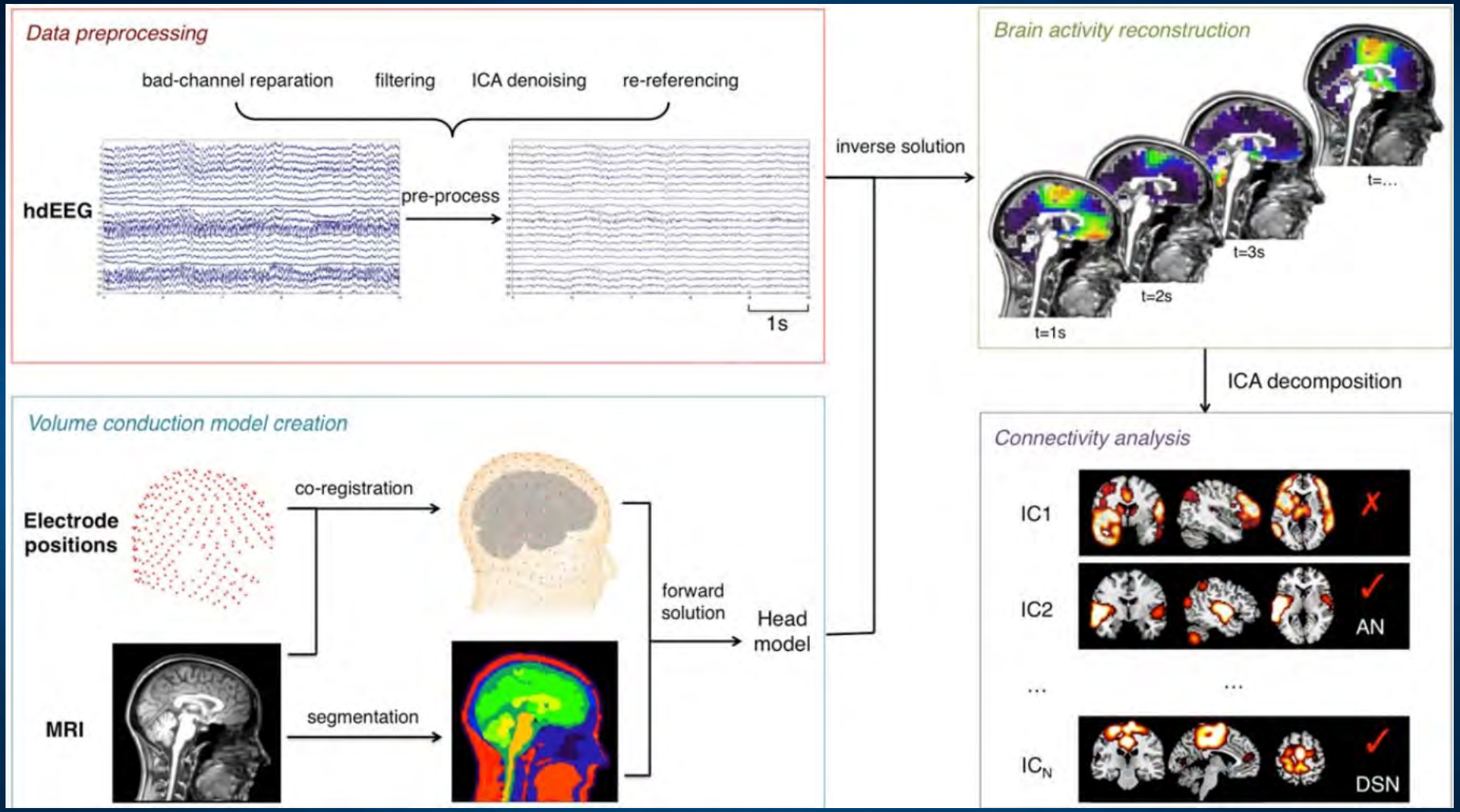


8 large networks from BOLD-EEG



DMN, FP (frontoparietal)-left, right, sensorimotor, ex, control, auditory, visual (medial), (H) visual (lateral). Yuan … Bodurka (2015)

14 networks from BOLD-EEG



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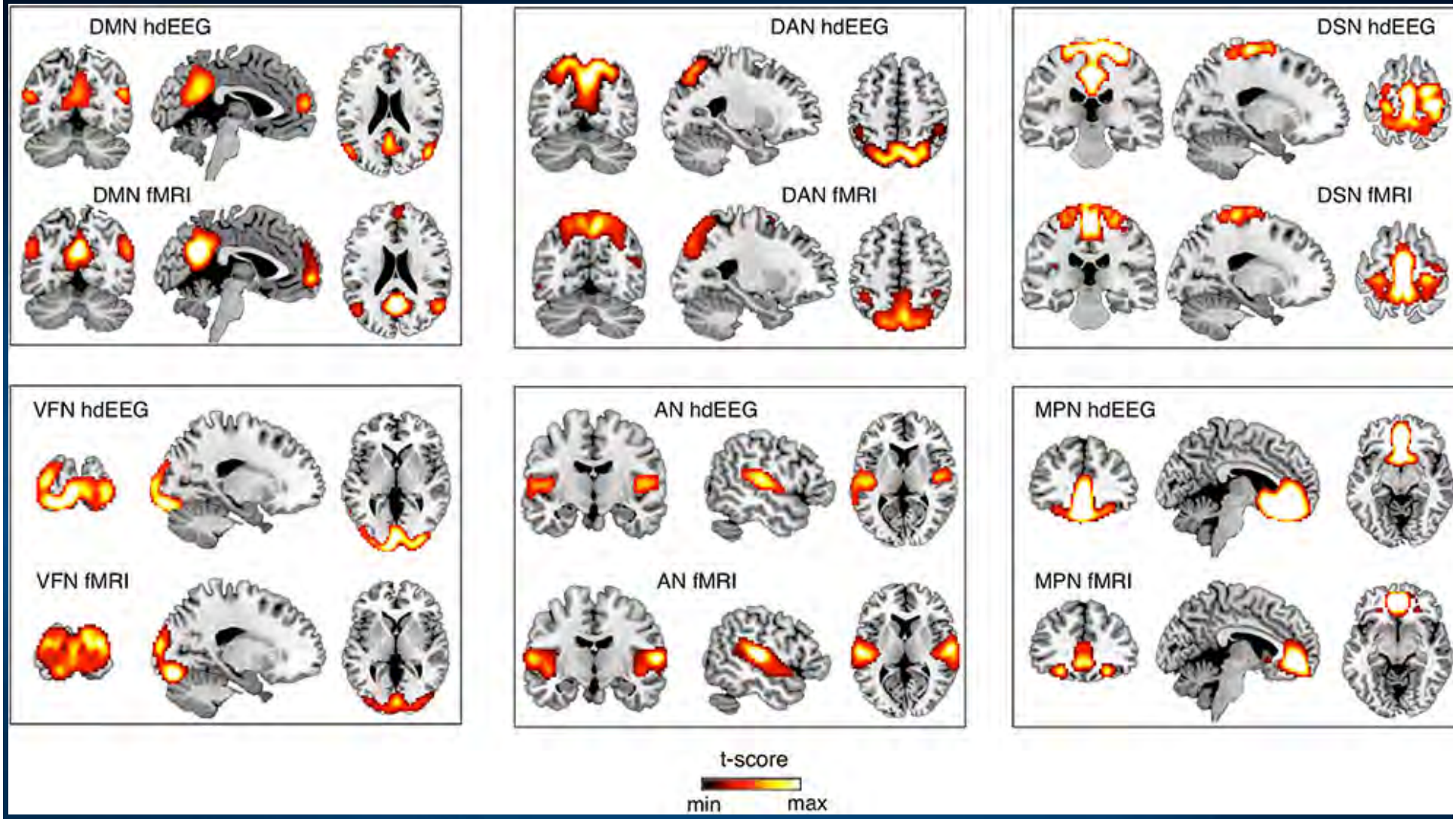
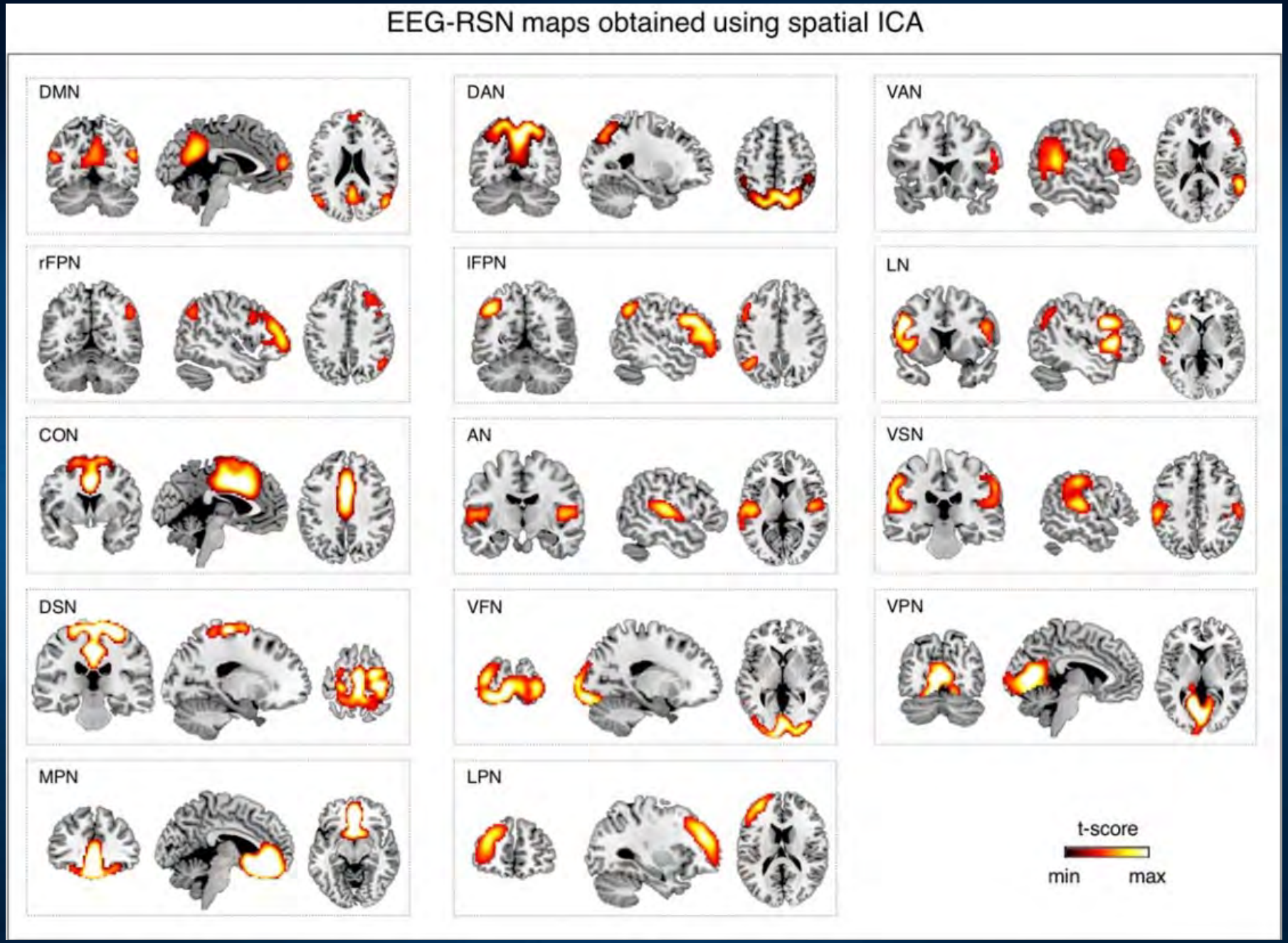


sICA on 10-min fMRI data (N = 24, threshold: $p < 0.01$, TFCE corrected). DMN, default mode network; DAN, dorsal attention network; DSN, dorsal somatomotor network; VFN, visual foveal network; AN, auditory network; MPN, medial prefrontal network.


EEG-RSN maps obtained using spatial ICA
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LPN
t-score
min
max

Final words

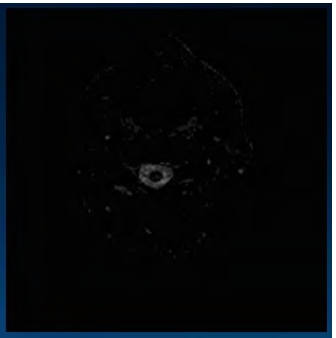
Possible form of Brain Fingerprints

fMRI: BFP is based on **V(X,t)** voxel intensity of fMRI BOLD signal changes, contrasted between task and reference activity or resting state.
EEG: spatial, spatio-temporal, ERP maps/shapes, coherence, various phase synchronization indices.

1. **Spatial/Power**: direct localization/reconstruction of sources.
2. **EEG microstates**, sequences & transitions, dynamics in ROI space.
3. **Spatial/Synch**: changes in functional graph network structure.
4. **Frequency/Power**: ERS/ERD smoothed patterns E(X,t,f).
5. **ERP global power maps**: spatio-temporal averaged energy distributions.
6. **EEG decomposition into components:** ICA, CCA, tensor, RP ...
7. Model-based: **The Virtual Brain**, integrating EEG/neuroimaging data.
8. Spectral fingerprinting (MEG, EEG), power distributions.

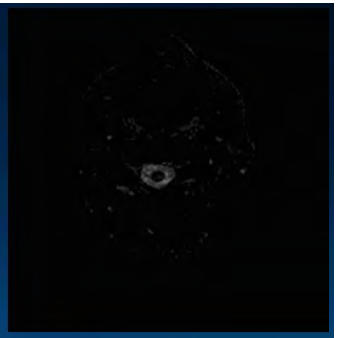
Neuroplastic changes of connectomes and functional connections as results of training for optimization of brain processes.

Conclusions



- Hierarchically modularized set of canonical networks is the best description of the brain. Connectomes form static localized networks, enabling dynamic, whole-brain states. We can use fMRI techniques to determine static structures that change slowly due to the neuroplasticity.
- Temporal state dynamics is based on rapid resynchronization of subnetworks on connectome scaffolding. Time scale of the order of 10 ms requires EEG/MEG or NiRS techniques. Activity of deeper brain structures is difficult to measure reliably. Invasive techniques have limited applicability in case of humans, but this may change if DARPA projects will be successful.
- Neurodynamics is the key to understanding of mental states, but it requires models of information processing that will help to interpret network states and their transitions. Influence of other RDoC levels on mental states may be understood indirectly, via changes in neurodynamics.
- Neuroimaging, M/EEG, etc. ⇔ models of whole brain (TVB) ⇔ networks, neurodynamics ⇔ interpretation, mental states: S(B) ⇔ S(M).

Perspectives



- Many brain states are now linked to specific mental states, and can be transformed into signals that we can understand: motor intentions, plans, images, inner voices …
- Some large-scale functional networks have reasonable (although still not perfect) interpretation, for example sensory networks, dorsal and ventral attention networks, executive control, motor networks.
- Individual differences and many psychological functions are directly linked to connectome and functional networks, including multistable properties.
- AI/ML draws inspirations from brain research, but also neural network models and learning algorithms (CNN, recurrence networks, reinforcement learning) help to interpret information processing in the brain.
- Many neurocognitive technologies are coming, helping to diagnose, repair and optimize brain processes.

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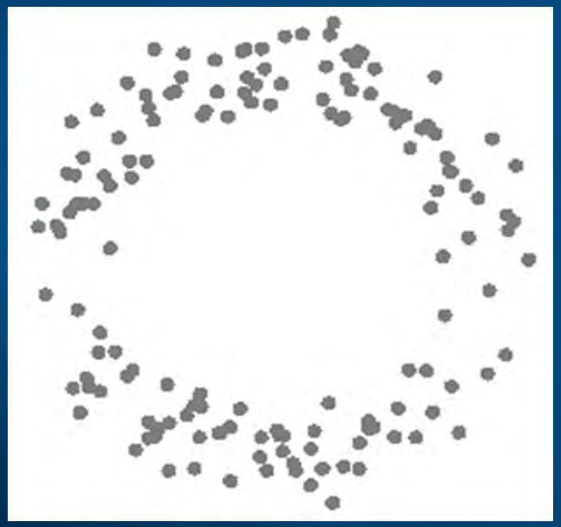

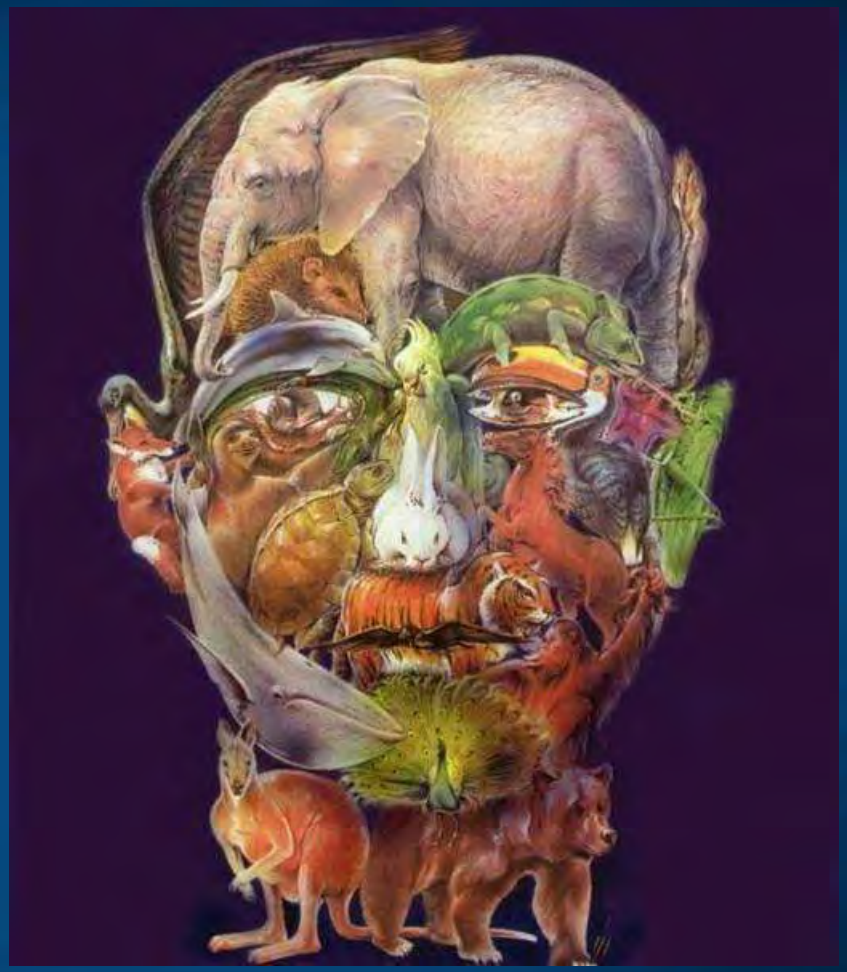

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